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CORRECTION

We previously reported the counseling center has already moved to the expanded health center. However, the counseling center is still located in Wells Hall for now. We apologize for this error.

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Check out the new look of The Northwest Missourian online!

Visit our online addition for a slideshow commemorating Sept. 11. While watching the slideshow, listen to where Northwest students and faculty were on that fateful day.

UNFORGETTABLE

"No matter how hard we try words simply cannot express the horror, the shock and the revulsion we all feel over what took place in this nation on Tuesday morning, Sept. 11 will go down in our history as a day to remember."

—Billy Graham, evangelist



Maryville residents will never forget where they were when the planes struck the Twin Towers five years ago

Kristin Summers and Lindsay Jacobs
Chief Reporters

Smoldering ashes and twisted metal covered the street as paper swirled around him. He had one thing on his mind; to do the job he volunteered for and hopefully find a survivor.

Leaving his then 10-year-old son Matthew with family, Clint Rhodes, 37, boarded the first flight out of Kansas City, Mo., to New York City unsure when he would be returning home.

Immediately after finding out about Sept. 11, Rhodes flipped through his phonebook trying to find a business to help him reach New York City.

Rhodes contacted the Salvation Army to inform them that he and two other firefighters from the Central Platte Fire Protection District in Platte County, Mo., were interested in helping find survivors.

The Salvation Army only paid for Rhodes plane ticket to New York City and gave him information of who to contact.

"It was worth every dime that I paid," Rhodes said.

Although he didn't find a survivor, for 18 hours, Rhodes rummaged through ashes being careful not to stir up flames describing ground zero as sort of a war

zone that was "smoldering like a hay bale."

Red, white and blue ribbons are twisted around Rhodes' firefighter helmet sitting on his bedroom dresser as a daily reminder of not only Sept. 11, but also of the 18 years he dedicated to being a firefighter. The ribbons, once tied in bows, were given to him from people in New York City.

"It saddens me that it takes an incident like that to open our eyes,"

—Deb Wilson, Parnell, Mo., resident

Another daily reminder is the New York City Fire Department baseball cap lying on top of his TV. He and a New York City firefighter "swapped" department baseball caps while at Ground Zero.

Rhodes now works at the All Stars Towing and Recovery in Kansas City, Mo. While he has moved on from firefighting he said given the chance, he'd do it all over again.

"That's what fire fighters do," Rhodes said, "We try to protect people."

Local Impact

Every generation has a moment that defines them.

Some people remember the exact place they were when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor. A younger generation recalls where they were when someone shot J.F.K.

see UNFORGETTABLE on 6A

CAMPUSTALK

How do you feel about flying since Sept. 11?



"I've flown since then and I like the fact that they check what you're bringing on."

Lindsay Troshynski
Business Education



"I really don't worry about it,"

Michael Marsh
Undecided



"I'm scared to get on a plane anywhere, but if they were going to do anything, they'd already done it."

Kelvin Cayruth
Recreation

Doubts about the war on terror

Results of a recent poll on U.S. attitudes toward the Bush administration's anti-terrorism campaign since Sept. 11, 2001:

■ Feel there will be more terrorism in the United States because the nation went to war in Iraq



■ Feel the nation is not ready to face another disaster



■ Are not confident that the United States can capture Osama bin Laden



■ Feel the cost of fighting terrorism may be too high



■ Feel the terrorists might be winning the war



Source: AP-Ipsos poll of 1,000 U.S. adults, Aug. 15-17, 2006; error margin: +/- 3 percentage points
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Counsel to revisit Panama

Tara Adkins
Chief Reporter

When the wind chills in the icy months of winter in Maryville, the warm sun shines bright in the tropical rainforests of Panama.

To take a break from the Midwest winter, Northwest alumni and friends will have an opportunity to explore the warmth of Panama.

The University's General Counsel, Joseph Cornelison, and his wife Ellita, will show the biodiversity of the canal with an up close and personal experience.

"We want to show anyone interested in various locations in the world a unique travel destination," Cornelison said.

The Alumni Association will sponsor the Feb. 18-24 trip, which is open to Northwest alumni and anyone interested. However, space is limited to only 33 people.

"The Cornelisons can offer unique insights and experiences about Panama that no other guide would be able to offer," said Steve Sutton, director of alumni relations.

Joseph spent military time stationed in Panama during the Noriega dictatorship and was appointed to serve as deputy administrator of the Panama Canal after retiring from the U.S. Army.

Ellita was born and lived most of her life in Panama, spending her professional career working at the canal.

"It's a chance to see part of the world that is one of the engineering wonders of the world, and that is important to maritime commerce that most people living in the Midwest never see," Joseph said.

The trip costs \$2,249 per person, including a six-night stay at the Inter-Continental Playa Bonita Resort and Spa, three days of tours to military bases, the Canal Museum, the Gatun Lake and other options for tours and activities. An all air and ground transportation and tourist card is also included along with six breakfasts, one lunch and dinner and folkloric show.

"The destination is awesome, beautiful and a very interesting experience that will make it a trip to remember," Sutton said.

For more information, call Northwest's Office of University Advancement at 562-1248 or e-mail alumni@nwmissouri.edu.

University waits for Edenspace approval

Evann Young
University Editor

When it comes to the future of the Center of Excellence in Plant Biology, Northwest is playing the waiting game.

Edenspace Systems Corporation, the Center's prospective anchor company, will decide at the end of October whether it will occupy the facilities at Northwest or head to Michigan State University, according to Northwest president Dean Hubbard.

Edenspace chairman, president and CEO Bruce Ferguson paid a visit to campus last week.

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WEEKEND WEATHER

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PHOTO SUBMISSIONS

Did you go somewhere great over your summer break? Did you take a great photo over the summer you'd like everyone to see? Send us your photos to northwestmissourian@hotmail.com for a chance to be published in an upcoming issue of The Northwest Missourian.

STORY IDEAS

Are you involved in any interesting organizations? Do you know someone who has a story to tell? Send us your story ideas to northwestmissourian@hotmail.com and let us do the rest!

Quin Collins, 4, looks up at the Bobby Bearcat plant-sculpture outside the Mabel Cook Admissions and Visitors Center. The giant Bobby replica welcomed freshmen to campus during advantage week. Quin attends pre-kindergarten at Horace Mann.

photo submission -
tricia collins



CAMPUS BRIEFS

Northwest to honor alumni at annual banquet

Northwest will honor five of its former students during the annual Alumni Awards Banquet Friday, Sept. 22 in the J.W. Jones Student Union.

The event, sponsored by the Northwest Alumni Association, begins at 6 p.m. with a social hour, followed by dinner at 6:45 p.m. and the awards presentation at 8 p.m. The Northwest Big Band will perform at 9 p.m.

Honorees include: Sean O'Brien, '77; Phyllis (Combs) Leet, '49; Jason White, '91; Brad Lager, '97 and Ann (Cowan) Rowlette, '55.

For more information about the Alumni Awards Banquet, or to purchase tickets, call the Office of University Advancement at 562-1248 or e-mail alumni@nwmissouri.edu. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$200 for a table of eight. Reservations will be accepted through Friday, Sept. 15, on a first-come, first-served basis.

Deans announce Faculty Awards for 2006

Northwest's College of Arts and Sciences and the Melvin and Valorie Booth College of Business and Professional Services recently announced their fall trimester Dean's Faculty Awards for outstanding teaching, research and service.

This year's Arts and Sciences winners are Ahmed Malkawi, assistant professor of organic chemistry (teaching); Peter Kondrashov, assistant professor of biology (research); and William Waters, assistant professor of English (service).

The Booth College winners are Pat McLaughlin, associate professor and chairman of the Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance (research); Doug Russell, instructor of marketing and management (service); and Jason White, assistant professor of accounting economics and finance (teaching).

The awards are based on work from the previous academic year. Faculty members are nominated through their departments; department chairs and college deans Charles McAdams (Arts and Sciences) and Tom Billesbach (Booth College) select the finalists and winners.

Winners receive a plaque and a stipend for travel or supply funds for the subsequent academic year.

Award-winning poets kick off 'Visiting Writers Series'

Two distinguished American poets, former U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Hass and Guggenheim Foundation fellowship recipient Brenda Hillman, come to Northwest to kick off the 2006-2007 Visiting Writers Series.

Hass and Hillman will appear at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, in Charles Johnson Theatre in the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building. Admission is free.

Hass is a professor of English at the University of California-Berkeley. He served as U.S. poet laureate from 1995 to 1997. A passionate environmentalist, Hass was also named Educator of the Year by the North American Association on Environmental Education and won election to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2005.

Hillman serves on the faculty of Saint Mary's College in Moraga, Calif. She is also a member of the permanent faculties of the Napa Valley Writers' Conference and the Squaw Valley Community of Writers.

Hillman, an advocate for peace, is part of Code Pink, a women-initiated peace and social justice movement seeking to end the Iraq War and redirect national resources into healthcare, education and other causes.



Students volunteer at BRUSH 2005 and help a local resident beautify their home. BRUSH began in 2002.

photo by Kelle White Photography

Much needed help

Students take time to volunteer

Tara Adkins
Chief Reporter

In one weekend, gutters will be cleared, paint will stain joans and houses will turn into homes.

Students will lend a hand and volunteer for Beautifying Residences Using Student Help, or BRUSH, which will restore two to three houses within the community Sept. 30 and 31.

"No one wants to live in a town that's not so pretty. Through BRUSH, everyone and everything will be beautiful," Jackie Elliott, dean of students, said.

The workday starts at 8 a.m. at the Wesley Student Center at 549 W. 4th St. During the

weekend, students will paint and perform minor repairs on residences of homeowners who are unable to maintain the upkeep of their home.

Local businesses will volunteer and donate their supplies including paint and brushes. Hy-Vee and Aramark will donate water and provide breakfast and lunch for volunteers.

"It makes a person feel thankful without anything in return," Elliott said.

BRUSH began in 2002 through Northwest's first lady Aleta Hubbard. Originally, Hubbard thought to bring a Habitat for Humanity chapter to Northwest, but she soon realized that there was plenty of work to be done to houses

already here.

"When the students finish the houses, it looks nicer than ever before and benefits the entire community," Hubbard said.

Homeowners interested in having the BRUSH crew work on their property can submit a written application to 800 University Drive, J.W. Jones Student Union Room 270, by Sept. 18.

"It must be the culture of the students here, because we never have a problem finding students to volunteer for anything," Elliott said, "It's hard to find work to keep them busy."

Volunteer hours are available to two four-hour shifts 8 a.m. to noon and noon to 4 p.m. However, volunteers can work

all day if they want. To sign up to volunteer, visit the Student Affairs office.

"Homeowners feel blessed through the work done and they enjoy visiting with the college students that give their homes a face lift," Hubbard said. "It gives everyone involved a warm fuzzy feeling."

Housing application process
Submit application by Sept. 18
BRUSH
800 University Drive
J.W. Jones Student Union Rm 270
Maryville, MO 64468

Students can sign up through Volunteer Services at the Student Affairs office. Volunteers can work 8 a.m.-noon, noon-4 p.m. or all day.

Going greek?

Fraternity, sorority recruitment is looking for future Greeks to join

Greek Recruitment

Fraternities participating in recruitment are: Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Kappa Lambda, Delta Chi, Delta Sigma Phi, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Sigma Kappa, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Tau Kappa Epsilon.

All interested men will have the opportunity to talk to active members of each fraternity.

Open houses for fraternities will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. through Thursday, Sept. 7. Men interested in fraternity life are welcome to attend events at any or all of the houses listed below.

Thursday Open Houses (throughout Maryville)
Delta Chi
Kappa Sigma
Alpha Kappa Lambda

Potential members will narrow their choices during fraternity open recruitment from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11, through Thursday, Sept. 14. Bids will be passed out in the Union from noon until 5 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 15.

Sororities participating in recruitment include: Ipha Sigma Alpha, Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Sigma Theta, Delta Zeta, Phi Mu, Sigma Alpha, Sigma Kappa and Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Women who choose to go through recruitment will attend various events scheduled, through Sunday, Sept. 10. Bid Day is Monday, Sept. 11.

Recruitment is free to men. Cost for women is \$45, and includes three T-shirts.

For more information about Greek Life at Northwest, call Angel McAdams Prescott, coordinator of Greek Life and Leadership Development at 562-1226, or email angel@nwmissouri.edu.

Maryville R-II Yearly Report Card

| Subject | Final Total: | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|--|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| K-12 Enrollment | Statewide | 893,978 | 891,188 | 894,470 | 895,965 | 891,847 |
| | Maryville R-II | 1,390 | 1,331 | 1,300 | 1,284 | 1,299 |
| Attendance | Statewide | 93.7% | 93.9% | 93.7% | 94% | 94% |
| | Maryville R-II | 95.9% | 95.7% | 95.4% | 95.4% | 95% |
| Graduation Rate | Statewide | 81.4% | 82.4% | 84.4% | 85.5% | 85.7% |
| | Maryville R-II | 89.8% | 91.7% | 87.8% | 95.4% | 95.7% |
| Dropout Rate | Statewide | 4.2% | 3.6% | 3.3% | 3.4% | 3.8% |
| | Maryville R-II | 2.3% | 2.1% | 1.8% | 1.8% | 2.8% |
| Average Teacher Salaries | Statewide | \$36,835 | \$38,103 | \$39,280 | \$39,786 | \$40,676 |
| | Maryville R-II | \$31,476 | \$33,841 | \$34,298 | \$33,774 | \$35,458 |
| Staffing Ratios (students to teachers) | Statewide | 19 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 19 |
| | Maryville R-II | 18 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 16 |

Air travel is a drag in post-9/11 world

Richard Newman
Contributing Writer

A prominent business travel group has taken a hard look at how air travel has changed, and found it isn't what it used to be.

The Business Travel Coalition report, "U.S. Commercial Air Transportation: Changes Since September 11, 2001, and a Look Ahead," concludes that air travel today, though about 15 percent cheaper on average, is "less rewarding" and "more onerous" than five years ago.

In fact, one of the authors, former American Airlines CEO Bob Crandall, describes the U.S. commercial aviation system today as "vastly less useful and much more unpleasant" than it was before 9/11.

The analysis acknowledges some improvements, such as the ability to print boarding passes from a home computer and avoid check-in lines by using the now-ubiquitous self-service kiosks at airports.

Among the changes since 9/11: —The airlines' financial condition has deteriorated. U.S. airlines lost \$54 billion in five years, and industry revenue today

is about \$20 billion less than it was in 2000, primarily due to a 50 percent drop in sales to higher-yielding business travelers.

—Service has deteriorated. The major airlines have shed 160,000 jobs since 2001 and wrested givebacks from remaining workers. The report suggests that this has caused staffing shortfalls and has hurt employee morale and the quality of service.

—In smaller cities, aircraft have been downsized, frequencies reduced and, in some cases, service eliminated altogether.

—Increased security has led to unre-

dictably long lines at airports, and food and other customer comfort offerings have been reduced.

Key changes in U.S. airline industry since 9/11:

—Airlines' cost-cutting has eroded customer service.

—Unpredictable security delays make business travelers less productive.

—The comparatively weak financial position of U.S. airlines is giving foreign carriers a competitive edge.

Source: Business Travel Coalition

CITY BRIEFS

Revitalization plans to build walking, bike paths at Mozingo

As part of the city revitalization plan, the Maryville City Council plans to build walking and bike trails around the city and at Mozingo to offer more recreational activities to the public.

City Manager Mike Ritz hopes for a trail to circle Mozingo Lake in the coming years, but right now plans for a trail near the west side of the dam over to the golf course will soon come to life. Plans for in-town trails are also up for talks, but no finalized plans have been made.

Open forums for discussion of trail plans will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 11 in Meeting Room B at the J.W. Jones Student Union, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 13 at the Maryville Senior Center, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 18 at the Maryville Middle School Library and from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at the Maryville Community Center in the south meeting room.

City to hold disaster drills to train law enforcement teams

Nodaway County will be one of seven statewide teams setting up a mock terrorism drill Sept. 16.

State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) will deploy the Seven Homeland Security Response Teams (HSRTs) to better train local law enforcement for a real terrorism event. They will set up simulated disaster situations such as explosions and fires.

Events will take place at the University, Energizer and Kawasaki. Parts of Ninth Street, Seventh Street and North College Drive will be closed on Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information, please visit the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services Web site at Ready.missouri.gov or the national Web site at Ready.gov.

Airport celebrates 30th year of public plane rides

The Northwest Missouri Regional Airport will celebrate their 30th year of offering plane rides to the public. Costing \$10 a person, rides will be available from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 11. Breakfast will be served from 7 a.m. to noon and the lunch will also be served from noon to 3 p.m. Both will cost \$4. Call the Northwest Missouri Regional Airport at 582-2233 for more information.

Cingular plans to build Wireless Internet towers in Maryville

Mid-America Wireless, an authorized Cingular agent servicing the Missouri area, will set up Internet WiFi towers to allow for more wireless Internet access for Maryville. The towers will soon go up on top of the city water tower located at the intersection of Ninth and Mulberry Streets.

Fingerprinting system saves time, trouble

Efficiency is key when booking offenders

Tara Adkins
Chief Reporter

The old ways of ink and paper are over as a new system makes fingerprinting and booking offenders more efficient.

The Maryville Public Safety Department will soon utilize a new electronic system to save time to receive information on the fingerprinting process.

"It's a great tool to help out and speeds up the process, which makes a lot less paperwork for us," Sgt. Wayne Wilson said.

Instead of rubbing inked fingers on paper, the person will place his or her fingers on a scanner where the fingerprints are recorded into the computer system.

The information is received immediately and three copies are made and sent to the Jefferson City, Mo. courts, the prosecutor and the Maryville Public Safety Department.

"The printer tells us immedi-

ately if prints are wrong and need to be done correctly when previously it took a while to know for sure which was time," Wilson said.

The scanner will be able to readily prove the identity of the individual within minutes if the fingerprints are on file.

For special requests, or for individuals not on file, the information should take no longer than 15 minutes.

The State Association of Missouri City Police administered a grant to the Maryville department through partnership, enabling the department to change to the new system.

"Anytime we can improve technology and enhance our service, it will only benefit the community," said Keith Woods, director of public safety.

With more than 150 departments in Missouri changing to the new system, it will take about two weeks before the system is completely set up and ready for full access.

"This day in age, the enhancement of homeland security shows a growing need for ID, prints, and DNA tests that are going to contribute to growth of security on a ground level," Woods said.

Maryville schools take healthy route

Public School officials integrate healthier options to student snack choices

Dominic Genetti
Community Editor

The days of school lunches being nothing but deep fried and greasy are over.

As the country creates awareness for healthier diets and counting calories, the Maryville R-II School District is doing its part as well.

Teaming with Opaa Foods, a cafeteria foods company based in St. Louis County, Maryville public schools have added healthy choices to its lunch menu.

Superintendent Vickie Miller said the district depends on Opaa and that the company meets Missouri requirements for food services.

To keep students healthy and in shape, the Maryville schools have begun their own internal awareness.

Eugene Field Elementary Principal Steve Klotz has encouraged students and parents to pack healthy snacks for the school day.

Klotz said this is emphasized strongly on kindergartners given the class has a snack during the day, but traditional snacks like brownies and cupcakes tend to prevail.

"It's really a job for us trying to educate not only our staff, but also our parents and community on the importance of healthy snacking," Klotz said.

However, the lunch menu for the school day at Eugene Field Elementary, which is decided by the school board, has its benefits.

With three choices each day, students always have a healthy option on the menu.

While the main entrée may sometimes be pizza or chicken nuggets, the side orders include fruit and vegetables.

Although two of the three items on the daily menu is more of the traditional school lunch, the third option is always slated as a different type of chef's salad.

Part of Opaa's healthy food plan includes not having fried food at any of the district public schools, according to Louis Thorpe,

Maryville R-II director of nutrition.

Thorpe said 50 percent or more of the ala Carte meals in the schools are a healthy choice option. Condiments have also gone on the healthy scale. Students are now getting dressings and dips with less saturated fats and lower sodium.

More strategic establishments are taking place in the health trend at Maryville High School.

Tom Landherr, the school's principal, said that healthier snacks, such as baked chips, have been ordered for the

vending machines and are being sold at a lower price than regular snacks.

On the beverage side, more quantities of juice and water are available for students than soda, but it doesn't end there.

Exercise is also being preached along with eating healthy.

Klotz said the Eugene Field's health and wellness program teaches students to exercise and stay healthy. Physical education and health courses are used as benefits too.

Assistant superintendent John Zelliff said the district is looking to improve on little things to keep students active and in shape physically.

Alternative disciplinary actions would be made so that kids didn't miss out on the physical activity of recess Zelliff said.

However, at the high school, students have more of a choice. They are required as freshmen to take a physical education course, but are not required thereafter.

Students have the option to take health and physical education courses as electives their sophomore, junior and senior years, but according to Landherr, about 35 percent of the students go beyond their freshman year in physical education. A large majority of students that continue tend to be athletes.

Nevertheless, as a whole, the Maryville school district is keeping up with student health awareness as many schools across the country do the same.

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Campus Safety hires students to watch parking violations

Lindsay Jacobs
Chief Reporter

Starting this trimester, students will be issuing parking tickets.

Last month, four students were hired to patrol campus parking lots and issue tickets to improperly parked vehicles.

Monica McCollough, parking and dispatch manager, said Campus Safety hired the students because they needed to use the student employment work force more.

She said other universities in the state, as well as Iowa State University in Ames have had success with their student ticket writing programs, and after doing some research Northwest's program will be similar.

McCullough said this project has been looked in to for a year.

Iowa State officials were Northwest's main contact in bringing this program to campus because Iowa State had the best training program. After meeting univer-

sities with similar programs at a conference, it was decided Iowa State had the best program.

During training the four students watched a video that Iowa State sent.

After the video there were some question and answer sessions based on the video. The students

"I haven't had anyone yell at me yet, but I'm waiting for it,"

—Andrew Dufour

also went through a training manual, and learned the basics of ticket writing.

McCullough said the students learned safety before they learned about the enforcement aspect of their job.

"Obviously our employees have to remain safe in order to keep the campus safe," McCollough said.

Andrew Dufour, a junior police science major, was one of the four students hired to issue parking tickets.

Dufour said overall he really likes his job, and the fact that he is trusted to do his job without anyone looking over his shoulder all the time.

Dufour started patrol on the first day of class. He said in three days he wrote 150 warnings and citations.

"I haven't had anyone yell at me yet, but I'm waiting for it," Dufour said.

Sophomore Kiley Rath said she thinks this program is a good idea because it gives more options for student employment.

Even though this program is in its second week McCollough said it's going well.

"If everything continues to go this smooth I think we're off to a great semester, and that's what we're hoping for at this point," McCollough said.

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OURVIEW

Second chance?

In the world of emergency contraception, we think the answer is 'yes'

Aren't we human enough to admit others make mistakes and sometimes deserve second chances?

A condom breaks. A woman forgets to take one of her pills or worries about possible conception after rape.

Many residents oppose the use of emergency contraception and therefore the recent over-the-counter approval of the pill by the Food and Drug Administration because no one has told them that the "Morning after pill" isn't synonymous with RU-486, or the abortion pill.

Or maybe they just failed to listen.

Emergency contraception is actually a concentrated dose of birth control pills administered in two pills to prevent implantation from occurring and will not affect an existing pregnancy if conception already occurred.

A second argument opponents present is how they assume the non-prescription use of the pill will promote promiscuity among women. However, according to Virginia Muir, director of wellness and assistant director of the University Health Center, very rarely does the health center see repeat users of emergency contraception and she suspects this will remain the same even when the pill is administered over-the-counter.

Additionally, as much as we commend the Food and Drug Administration for approving the over-the-counter sale of the drug, we also think the age restriction should be lifted. Currently the legislation reads that only women 18 and older may have non-prescription access to emergency contraception.

Girls are having sex at an alarmingly young age and account for thousands of unplanned pregnancies each year probably because of poor choices surrounding contraceptive use. Yet, this is the age group we deny easier access to second chances.

Wouldn't you term that a curious inverse relationship? We ask you this: if we can't stop anyone from having sex, would you rather see them use emergency contraception or would you rather see the 3 million unplanned pregnancies skyrocket? Do you prefer neglected, unwanted children or put your pride aside and admit emergency contraception holds more benefits than downfalls?

We think if you take a second look and put some of your old thoughts surrounding emergency contraception aside you will see the over-the-counter sale of this drug as advantageous.

Answers to college student commonly asked money questions

By Sanyika Calloway Boyce
Young Money magazine (KRT)

Thanks for taking me up on my offer to help you answer your questions about money, credit, debt, romance and finance and landing (or keeping) a job. For all of you who were courageous enough to ask your questions, I applaud you. For those of you who still have questions that need answering, I hope what follows will offer you some insight and direction.

What's the best way to lower my credit card interest rate?

It's simple, call the credit card company and ask them for a rate reduction. If you've been good about paying your credit card bills on time and not maxing them out or going over the limit, then you'll be in a much better position to ask for an interest rate reduction. The bottom line is that credit card companies don't want to lose your business. So if they have to lower your interest rate by a few points to keep you as a customer, they usually will do so. Always remind the creditor that

there are other companies who want your business and have them look for ways that they can keep you as a customer. They may even offer fee reductions or waivers as a way to keep you satisfied.

I want to buy my girlfriend/boyfriend nice things but how much is too much?

It's hard to put a dollar amount on how much to spend, especially when it comes to birthdays and holidays. Often we want to impress and get the big WOW reaction, but I have been guilty of breaking the bank and maxing out credit cards only to pay the hefty price tag later. The best advice I can give is to set spending limits upfront on gifts, this will take off the pressure and turn on the creativity. When you stop focusing on the amount you're spending and put the attention into the thought behind the gift it'll last a lot longer and mean a whole lot more. Also, reduce the pressure to produce that one-of-a-kind gift by giving smaller gifts more often rather than putting all of your energy into the big gift.



Paranoid, fearful no way to live each day

With the terrorist plot in London averted ironically close to the five-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 tragedy it's obvious why people are paranoid however paranoia should only be to a certain degree.

It's important to be aware and be safe, but worrying over your cup of coffee each morning that your office might get attacked by a terrorist is not a way to live.

You literally only live once and why not live it to the fullest. Before British police detained 24 people in a London airport



on Aug. 10, security in the United States hadn't changed much since the security increase after Sept. 11.

Since the foiled terrorist plot in Britain, security has gone up, especially in airports dealing with every day items. If you're getting ready to go to the terminal, I suggest quenching your thirst and slathering your sunscreen before entering the plane.

The government is making security and paranoia go hand in hand. A recent poll conducted by the Associated Press said one-third

of U.S. citizens fear their communities will be attacked. The same poll showed that half the people in New York City and Washington D.C. are afraid they will be attacked again.

All the poll proves is that people are worried about their safety. There are several countries that fear for their safety every single day. America has been fortunate in the sense that we have not had several terrorist attacks. We have only had a few major tragedies.

The conflict between Israel and Pakistan is still ongoing. Three bombs exploded in Dahab, Egypt earlier this year. Terrorism for some people is a daily occurrence.

Countries around the world

are dealing with suicide bombers and terrorist attacks daily. People wake up fearing for their life on a regular basis, afraid to even walk out their front door.

The recent terror plot foiled in London was a good indicator that another Sept. 11 could have happened and still possibly can. This understandably adds stress but is America a country that lives in fear?

I can't visualize America hiding in a corner. In a world full of terror, America needs to realize what has happened in the past, embrace it and open up their eyes.

Life is not going to sit around and wait. Enjoy that cup of coffee and just be thankful for life itself.

University health center, counseling center to be located under one roof by end of fall trimester

If you have been on the west side of campus close to the Health Center, you have probably noticed workers on the roof, fences, exterior walls being torn off, new wings being added, and noise!

Despite how it looks, the University Health Center is open and completely operational for providing health care for students.

Over the next few weeks you will see the exterior of the building being finished as we move towards the completion of the construction project that will help us to offer students coordinated health services in the new Wellness Center.

The building is expected to be completed this fall and includes the addition of additional space for counseling services.

By the start of 2007, we plan to offer students access to physical and mental health services in one location with the move of the Counseling Center staff from Wells Hall to the

new Wellness Center. The combined work facility is representative of our philosophy and approach to holistic health care, recognizing that all aspects of health are interconnected.

Shared space promotes collaboration between a professional staff and is anticipated to improve access, delivery of care, and student satisfaction.

"One stop shopping" is often preferred for a variety of services, and we continue to look at ways we can incorporate student needs into current and future planning.

In addition to counseling services, the construction will allow us

to incorporate Peer Education as a resource for students.

Peer Educators provide information, programs and events that promote health for students at Northwest.

Resource areas will be provided for students to access health information for personal use or academic projects.

The University / Aramark dietician will be available for consultation through the new center as an additional benefit to students.

Meeting space currently under construction will allow the opportunity to consider other wellness options that we may be able to offer

in the months ahead. Space has been allocated for a permanent home for "The Lighthouse", the Northwest Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance Program.

We appreciate the patience of our students as we move forward with this project.

In the months ahead, we will let you know more about the combined services, the dates when new services will be housed at the Wellness Center, and how scheduling will be done.

The one constant in the midst of new projects is our absolute commitment to offer the BEST health care possible. We always welcome suggestions from our University family as we work to improve in all areas.

Call 562-1348 to schedule appointments. We are open 8-4:30 Monday through Friday with emergent care after hours provided at St. Francis Hospital.



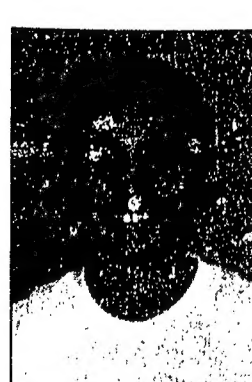
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Business/Marketing



"I was in class (in eighth grade)."
Stefani Pulley
Secondary Math Education

PUBLIC SAFETY

Aug. 17
■ **Junior U. Suarez**, 17, Maryville, Contributing to the Intoxicants of a Minor.

Aug. 25
■ Larceny from a vehicle: Property: Cash, 200 block W. Seventh

Aug. 30
■ Fire Report, vehicle fire, Hwy. 71 and Route U

■ **William F. Crampton**, 41, Muskegon, Mich., Failure to Appear, 400 block N. Market

Aug. 31
■ **Veronica Gil-Castilla**, 18, Maryville, Possession of Another Person's Identification, Under 19 in a Bar, 300 block N. Market

■ **Benjamin R. Shattuck**, 19, Maryville, MIP, 100 block W. Ninth

■ **Wesley A. Scott**, 19, Sanger, Texas, Failure to Appear, 600 block S. Main

■ Stealing by Deceit, ongoing investigation, 1500 block E. South Ave.

■ **Aaron C. Catron**, 19, Maryville, Failure to Appear, 200 block W. Fifth

■ **Guido Kessels**, 20, Maryville, MIP, 400 block N. Buchanan

Sept. 1
■ **Clinton D. Simpson**, 24, Olathe, Kan., Indecent Exposure, 400 block N. Market

■ Harassment, ongoing investigation, 1420 block N. Dewey

■ **Recovery Property**, Cell phone, unknown location

■ **Assault**, ongoing investigation, 400 block W. Grant

Sept. 2
■ **Jeremy D. Espey**, 23, Maryville, DWI, Equipment Violation, 300 block W. Fourth

■ Larceny from a Vehicle, Laptop and case, 500 block W. Halsey

■ Larceny from a Vehicle, White purse and contents, 100 block W. Thompson

■ **Lost/Stolen Property**, Black wallet and contents, 1300 block N. Mulberry

■ **Property Damage**, Vehicle Damage, 100 block N. Davis

■ **Recovered Property**, Brown women's wallet, 900 block N. Main

Sept. 3
■ **Derek Lacy**, 20, Maryville, MIP, 400 block N. Buchanan

■ **Tyler S. Manship**, 20, Springfield, Mo., MIP, 1200 block N. Country Club

■ **Cody L. Hillgartner**, 17, Harlan, Iowa, Possession of 35 grams or less of Marijuana, MIP, Equipment Violation, 500 block N. Mulberry

■ **Dallas M. Mesa**, 18, St. Joseph, Mo., MIP, 100 block E. Second

■ **Ronald J. Luke**, 35, Maryville, DWI, Failure to Display Head Lamps, 3100 block E. First

■ **Dog at Large**, ongoing investigation, 600 block S. Saunders

■ **Jason J. Bernal**, 19, Maryville, Resisting arrest, MIP, 500 block N. Buchanan

■ **Assault**, ongoing investigation, 500 block E. Jenkins

■ **Burglary**, Property: Toolbox and Miscellaneous tools, 200 block E. Third

■ **Larceny**, Property: Cash, personal ID, checkbook, cell phone, digital camera, CDs, black purse and contents, 100 block S. Saunders

■ **Larceny**, Property: key, 200 block E. First

■ **Christina M. Butler**, 28, Maryville, Failure to Appear, 1100 block N. College Drive

■ **Larceny**, Property: Credit card, 500

block E. Jenkins

Sept. 4
■ **Sean W. Welch**, 20, Maryville, Property damage, Disorderly conduct, MIP, 500 block E. First

■ **Property Damage**, Property: Damage to Apartment door, wall and air conditioning, 300 block E. Second

■ **Property Damage**, Property: Vehicle damage, 300 block W. Grant

■ **Recovered Property**, Property: Blue Mountain Bike, 900 block S. Main

■ **Property Damage**, Property: Vehicle damage, 300 block W. Grant

OBITUARIES

Carrol Quentin "Q" Goslee, 86, of Skidmore, Mo., died Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2006 at Heartland Regional Medical Center, St. Joseph, Mo.

The youngest child of Frank and Willa Milton (Bond) Goslee, Q was born April 19, 1920. She was born on the family farm east of Skidmore, where he farmed and lived all his life. He attended the Skidmore schools and Northwest Missouri State Teacher's College. He was an outstanding athlete in high school and college and a member of the Northwest's undefeated 1939 basketball team. This team was inducted into the NWMSC Hall of Fame.

On Oct. 6, 1940 he married Margaret Aileen Hammond in Maryville. Q was a member of the Skidmore United Methodist Church, Skidmore Masonic Lodge #511 AF & AM; Mola Shrine and the Scottish Rite Bodies, both of St. Joseph; the Maryville Elks Lodge #760; a charter member of the Skidmore Lions Club and he served as a Scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America. Q was also a 4-H leader and on the Skidmore School Board. He served on the REA Board of Directors in Nodaway County.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, Kirk Rylan; his parents; brothers, Dean and Vernon Goslee; and sisters Hildred O'Reilly, Evelyn Bevelin, Helena Haase and Vivian McIntosh.

In addition to his wife, Margaret, Q is survived by four sons, Kendal and his wife Bobbi Goslee, Kenneth, Mo., Kermit and his wife Rhonda, Maryville, Kirby and Rowena, Skidmore and Kris Q. Goslee, Skidmore; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and two step-granddaughters.

Burial was held at St. Columba Cemetery, Skidmore, Mo. Memorials will go to the American Diabetes Association.

Melba Christine Wallace, 73, Pickering, Mo., died Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2006, at Beverly Healthcare in Maryville, Mo. She was born December 4, 1932, in Goldsboro, N.C., to James and Martha (Butler) Ham. She married Jack Lee Wallace on July 16, 1960, in Maryville.

Melba was a nurse aid for Beverly Healthcare for 20 years and was a member of the Temple Baptist Church, all in Maryville.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Jack Lee Wallace, Sr. (Oct. 7, 1986) and brother, Leslie Ray Ham.

She is survived by sons: Dennis Lee Wallace, Pickering, Mo., Jack L. Wallace, Jr., Springfield, Mo., and Joseph Truman Wallace, Coin, Iowa; seven grandchildren; brother, Nathan W. Ham, Goldsboro, N.C.; sister,

Frances R. Taylor, Goldsboro, N.C.; nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 7, 2006, at Oak Hill Cemetery, Maryville, Mo. Visitation was held from 7-8 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2006, at Price Funeral Home Chapel, Maryville, Mo.

Mary Margaret Weir, 83, of Maryville, Mo., died Monday, Sept. 4, 2006, at Beverly Healthcare in Maryville.

She was born July 20, 1923 in Burlington Junction, Mo., to Ormond and Minnie (Graves) Mitchell. She married Lloyd Dean "Bud" Weir on Sept. 7, 1941 in Graham, Mo. He preceded her in death on Oct. 7, 1992.

Mary was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Women and the Ireland Community Club, all in Wilcox, Mo.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband, sister, Doris Coon; twin sister, Martha Logsdon; brothers, Eldon Mitchell, Eugene Mitchell and Elmer Mitchell.

She is survived by her two daughters, Mary K. (Bill) Harr, Maryville, and Joyce (Patrick) Gaa of Austin, Texas; son, Gary Weir, Lamoni, Iowa; sisters, Ruth McClurg, Tulsa, Okla., and Zella Ploghoft, Athens, Ohio; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, 2006, at Price Funeral Home Chapel, Maryville. There will be no formal visitation, however friends may call at the funeral home anytime. Burial will be held in Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville. Memorials go to the Wilcox Methodist Church.

Leola Irene Frush, 87, Hamilton, Mo., formerly of Maryville, passed away Monday, Sept. 4, 2006 at the Hillcrest Manor in Hamilton.

She was born April 14, 1919 the daughter of Charles Nelson and Ida Rose (Lockhart) Watson in Nodaway County.

She was raised on a farm near Maitland, Mo., and graduated from Maitland High School. She was married to Harold Eugene Gaddy. Born to this marriage was one daughter, Joyce Elaine.

Irene later married Lester Frush on Feb. 14, 1967 in Maryville. They resided on a farm near Maryville until Lester's death on Sept. 7, 1994. She was preceded in death by her

parents and a half-brother, Oral Watson.

She is survived by her daughter Joyce Roberts; a grandson, Keven Roberts and his wife, Kris; a granddaughter, Gina Youtsey and her husband, Doug; three great-grandchildren: Kala, Ashley and Jacob Roberts, Kilder, Mo.; a sister, Areatha Patterson, Maryville; two step-daughters, Judy Meyer and Patty Derks; nieces and nephews.

Funeral services begin 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, 2006. The burial service is in Maitland, Mo. Memorials may be made to the Parkinson Foundation in Irene's name.

Services are under the direction of Bram Funeral Home, Hamilton and Price Funeral Home, Maryville.

Dale Earl Davonport, 78, Kisco Mills, Mo., a long-time resident of Ravenswood, Mo., died Friday, Sept. 1, 2006 at his son's home in Branson, Mo.

He was born Oct. 29, 1927 in Stanberry, Mo., to William Davonport and Lois (Buholt) Davonport.

He married Marjorie Christine (Ballenger) Davonport on Oct. 28, 1949 in Smithville, Mo.

Dale was a farmer and a member of the Ravenswood Christian Church. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Christine March 8, 1988.

He is survived by three sons, Robert of Branson, John of Paxton, Ill., and Scott of Highlands Ranch, Colo.; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral service took place 2 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2006 at Price Funeral Home, Maryville. The burial service was at Oak Lawn Cemetery, Ravenswood.

Memorials may be made to either the Ravenswood Christian Church or the American Cancer Society.

BIRTHS

Dalton Ayres Maupin

Eric and Lindsey Maupin Skidmore, Mo., are the parents of Dalton Ayres Maupin, born Aug. 28, 2006, at St. Francis Hospital, Maryville. He weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces.

Grandparents are Fred and Cindy Wendt of Red Oak, Iowa and Mary and the late Jack Maupin of Skidmore.

The great-grandmother is Gladys Flora of Savannah, Mo.

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CAMPUSTALK

Where were you when you heard about the attacks on Sept. 11?



"I was in study hall my sophomore year."
Katie Durdin
Psychology



"I was in a Student Council meeting before American History."
Jake Rockey
Management/Marketing



"In the middle of English class."
Anthony Armstrong
Business/Marketing



"I was in class (in eighth grade)."
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EDENSPACE: University waits for the future of biopharming

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He viewed plans for the Center and toured the site itself with University officials.

Though no official decisions were made, Hubbard said Ferguson liked what he saw.

"He was impressed with our facilities," Hubbard said. "I think his expectations were exceeded. It was far better than what he anticipated."

Ray Courter, vice president of finance and support services, was pleased with the meeting and said the current outlook for the Center is bright.

"It was a very positive conversation. We're very optimistic that this will all come together," he said.

The state of Missouri also appears to be in Northwest's corner. Last week, Gov. Matt Blunt and Missouri legislators agreed on a plan to spend funds from the sale of loans from the Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority (MOHELA) on higher education capital improvement projects and biotechnology commercialization.

The plan, a revival of Blunt's Lewis and Clark Discovery Initiative, which failed in the Missouri legislature in May, involves the sale of \$350 million in MOHELA assets.

Over the next six years, the \$350 million would transfer to the Missouri Department of Economic Development, which would pass on over \$300 million to Missouri colleges and universities—without any legislative approval.

Northwest's Center for Excellence in Plant Biotechnology is one of approximately 20 projects to benefit from the plan, bringing in \$11.65 million in construction funds. The first disbursement could come as early as October, according to Hubbard.

Courter said the recent agreement is a good sign for Northwest. "I'm very pleased our political and legislative leaders found a common ground. It's a huge step in the right direction," he said.

MOHELA must first approve the plan before it can take effect. Its board will meet Friday in Chesterfield, Mo., to make its decision.

Questions have been raised

regarding the legality of MOHELA using its assets to fund construction projects, since its primary objective is to provide students with low-interest loans. Hubbard said he didn't know what would happen if the deal's opponents took the issue to court.

"There's no way to tell," he said.

For now, Northwest will concentrate on finishing the first phase of construction on Center, for which the University provided \$4 million in required government matching. Phase two, which includes adding laboratory and classroom space, will begin once Edenspace makes its decision.

If the company chooses to come to Maryville, the Center's design will be tweaked to fit the company's needs, construction bid packages will become available and construction will continue as planned.

If Edenspace picks Michigan State, Northwest has other options. In addition to continuing discussions with other possible anchor companies, the institution could open the Center's doors to several smaller start-up companies. Or, it could opt to create an applied research and development center, which would put more emphasis on academic programs than economic development.

Regardless of Edenspace's decision, the \$11.65 million should still come to Northwest, Hubbard said. Any more funding from the University would be strictly for the academic portion of the Center.

Based on Virginia, Edenspace is "a commercial leader in the use of plants for environmental protection and renewable fuels," according to the company's Web site.

Using an enzyme discovered in the water of the Old Faithful Geyser in Yellowstone National Park, the company can increase the amount of corn ethanol that becomes fuel from 5 percent to 100 percent.

Hubbard said Edenspace would employ 20-30 more scientists, generate more capital and provide "as much or more opportunities for Northwest students and faculty" than Ventria Biosciences, the Center's original intended tenant, which abandoned its plans to come to Maryville last December.

UNFORGETTABLE: Residents will never forget that fateful September day

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Sept. 11, 2001, forever remains this generations shining moment.

Even though the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks happened thousands of miles away, local residents still have the images in the back of their minds of where they were on that fateful day.

Holly Jorgensen, 30, from Clarinda, Iowa, was shopping with her mother in Jamesport, Mo., and noticed all the restaurants were closed.

Since Sept. 11 she is now closer to her family and spends more time with her children, Jorgensen said. "I worry about their future," Jorgensen said. "What life is going to be like when I'm gone."

Freshman Amanda Moore remembers working on an oil pastel painting in art class.

Her aunt's sister was on a ferry on her way to work at the World Trade Center when she saw the two planes collide with the towers.

Deb Wilson, 50, of Parnell, Mo., remembers being at work in Kear-

ney, Mo., on that day. She was just going on break, and saw coverage of what was happening. Her initial reaction was "Oh my God."

"It saddens me that it takes an incident like that to open our eyes," Wilson said.

Wilson said she thinks the United States is somewhat safer, but there is still a long way to go before the country will be completely safe.

Recent terror plot
On Aug. 10, 2006, police detained 24 people in a London airport after being suspected of attempting to blow up as many as 10 planes on their way to the United States.

A stunt many say would resemble a second Sept. 11.

Suspects were allegedly going to carry explosives in everyday item containers and use an electronic to ignite the mixture.

According to Cnn.com, U.S. government officials said there were two phone calls made to the United States from London by suspects.

Suspects placed two phone calls to the United States from London.

The suspects had begun research on Transatlantic Flights and were preparing to make a test run of the plot according to *Newsweek*.

Picking up the Pieces
While some have memories of the event, others work to ensure Sept. 11 is just a memory.

Construction has begun on the Freedom Tower, which will stand at 1,776 feet.

According to Broadcast.bf.com, a media and broadcast service provider, the World Trade Center Museum is expected to open in 2009 in Manhattan, N.Y. The museum is expected to take up 110,000 square feet and be one of the most visited sites in the world.

A permanent memorial will stand at the place where Flight 93 crashed in Shanksville, Pa. Families of the victims and state officials have received approval for \$5 million in federal funds to buy the field and build a permanent memorial at the site, according to Broadcast.bf.com.

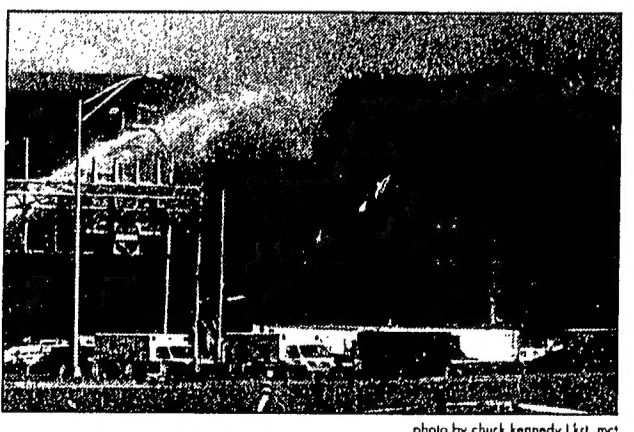
Projectrebirth.org is a nonprofit organization that focuses on the progress of reconstructing the World Trade Center site. They have set up six cameras that take one frame of film every five minutes seven days a week of the site. According to the Web site plans have been announced for New York City's commemoration of the attacks.

Additionally, a ceremony will take place where the World Trade Center once stood, with the victims' families reading their names with music in the background.

There will be four moments of silence. The first moment of silence will begin at 8:46 a.m. EST when the first plane hit. The three other moments will be at the time the second plane hit and then the towers collapsed.

Family members will have the opportunity to lay flowers at the lowest level of the site. "Tribute in Light" will be on the night of Sept. 11 consisting of two beams of blue lights shining upward to remember those who lost their lives on that day, and also symbolize community spirit in New York City.

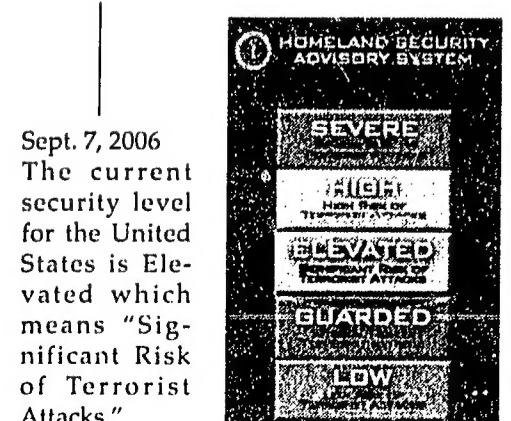
America, under attack



Sept. 11, 2001
Terrorists flew two planes into the World Trade Center and one into the Pentagon. The fourth flight crashed in Shanksville, Pa. A total of 2,973 people died.

March 1, 2002
Homeland Security Department unveils a new color-coded terror system called Homeland Security Advisory System.

May 12, 2003
Suicide bombers attacked three housing units in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia killing 34 people; eight were American.



Sept. 7, 2006
The current security level for the United States is Elevated which means "Significant Risk of Terrorist Attacks."

June 14, 2002
Car bomb goes off in front of the American Consulate in Karachi, Pakistan, killing 11 people.

Teens walk 650 miles as part of fund-raiser

Four New York City teens walk to Ground Zero for memorial money

Erika Ray
Contributing Writer

NEW YORK — After walking 650 miles in 44 days, four Rosford High School students were finally able to stand at Ground Zero in New York City yesterday.

It was a bittersweet feeling for the 17-year-olds, who started walking to the site of the former World Trade Center from Rosford on July 20 in a quest to raise \$1 million for planned memorials for those who died in terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

"I'm obviously excited to get it over with because it's been a really long journey," senior Tad Millinger said by telephone. "But I really love touching people's lives. It's an amazing feeling just to know that the actions you're doing right now actually mean something to other people."

The last leg of their journey began at 6 a.m. yesterday at the George Washington Bridge. The boys — Tad, Chad Coulter, Dustin Dean, and Brandon Reinhard — then walked with morning rush-hour walking traffic south on Broadway through the theater district and

Times Square toward lower Manhattan before finishing on West Street at the Trade Center site.

Their matching "Walk to Raise" T-shirts made them easy to spot, said Michael Carroll, a former Toledo resident who has been living in Manhattan for about 10 years.

He said he stopped the walkers to congratulate them and tell them they were closing in on their destination.

"They had a lot of adrenaline going," he said.

Later, as the boys took their final steps, they said more than 100 people cheered them on, including their families and representatives from the World Trade Center Memorial Foundation.

"It was pretty overwhelming," Brandon said. "They were all just there and my eyes started to water right away. But I was more happy for two reasons — that we completed a goal and that we were done walking."

The journey definitely was not easy.

The four walked through scorching summer days and in pelting rain. They endured countless blisters, sore joints, and a nasty virus, and made hospital visits for heat exhaustion, infected blisters, knee strains,

and upper respiratory problems.

And continued injuries took a toll on Brandon, who has been forced to sit out since about Aug. 18. "I haven't walked as far as them, but I'm still here," he said.

But they still face some challenges. When they go back to school Tuesday, they'll already be behind on their classwork.

Tad and Chad will have missed eight days of school at Rosford High School and Brandon and Dustin will have missed nine days of school because they've decided to transfer to Penta Career Center.

But they said they learned plenty on the road, not only about each other, but about themselves.

"I think it's one of the best things I've ever done in my life," Dustin said. "I figured out that if I set my mind to it, I can do anything — besides fly or walk on water or anything like that. So, yeah, it's been pretty cool."

After leaving northwest Ohio, the boys walked an average of 18 miles a day to raise money.

On Aug. 1, they crossed the state line into Pennsylvania and trekked through Pittsburgh before stopping

in Shanksville, where terrorist-flown United Airlines Flight 93 crashed into a field the same day as the other attacks in New York and Washington. In total, 2,973 were killed in the attacks that day.

On Sunday, they left Pennsylvania and entered New Jersey before walking yesterday into New York City — a place none of them had ever been.

After sightseeing until tomorrow, the boys' families will drive them home, only to drive them back to Pennsylvania and New York next weekend.

On Sept. 10, the boys plan to give 20 percent of what they raised to the Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville.

The next day, on the fifth anniversary of 9/11, they'll give the remaining 80 percent to the World Trade Center Memorial Foundation. So far, the boys have collected about \$17,000, but are still hoping for more.

"It's a good feeling to know people've done something for other people," Chad said. "It's just great."

Since leaving Rosford, the boys have written daily updates of their journey on a MySpace.com account blog.

Yesterday's entry stated that "today is a great day for the cause and an end to a long journey that has brought awareness to the people who deserve it the most — our fallen heroes of 9/11."

In envy of freshmen

One of my favorite things about the start of a new school year is witnessing over-zealous clubs and organizations blow significant portions of their annual budget on food and shiny objects to lure in new freshmen. In a sense, these organizations have the upper hand. They have been here more than a few days, and a lot of time they actually do bring in solid numbers to show down on their meaty, cheesy lasagna and walk away with a new DVD from the Wal-Mart \$5 bin.

However, freshmen ultimately have the upper hand in this relationship. If they play their cards right, they can eat for free for the first week of school. Actually, since 92 percent of them go home over Labor Day weekend, they can roll over into the second week of school still living off



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of bubbly volunteers at the various Christian centers and their parents.

Freshman fellas really have it easy. During this second week of school they can attend the various fraternity open houses and mooch off of our Greek friends. I can only assume they will all be offering

choice for fraternities. Even if a freshman male was completely uninterested in going Greek, he could still eat dinner for free every night. Freshmen ladies have it a little tougher, but I'm sure the fraternities are willing to offer them free things as well, like a place to sleep for starters.

In the end, the freshmen will always win. It might take them a while to locate that party on North Laura, or how to seal up the fourth floor of Millikan for a Wednesday night slip-n-slide party, but through shameless mooching they will manage to save a few extra dollars for that sixth trip to Wal-Mart in a week and the case load of Gold Bond the Jack's Nitch must sell. I wish I was still a freshman.

I'm chaffing already.

What's opening in theaters Friday

Hollywoodland

Adrien Brody, Diane Lane and Ben Affleck star in a film that ponders whether the death of TV's Superman, George Reeves, was suicide or murder.

The Covenant

Director Renny Harlin tries to recover from "Exorcist: The Beginning" with another horror tale of men with supernatural powers who must battle evil and each other.

The Protector

Thai film relates the adventures of a young fighter who treks from Thailand to Australia to retrieve his stolen elephant and uncovers a far-reaching conspiracy along the way.

Broken Bridges

Toby Keith plays a singer who reunites with his childhood sweetheart and gets acquainted with the teenage daughter he's never met.

Information compiled by Philip Wunch of The Dallas Morning News

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What's your horoscope?

Today's Birthday (09-07-06)
You're very strong this year, and yet you get farther by showing compassion. You'll achieve stability by being flexible.

Aries (March 21-April 19)
Old routines require renovation, to handle a heavier load. Edit out the activities that you can do without.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
The key is to give the glory to others. By doing that, you gain a larger perspective. This, of course, gives you another advantage.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
If your objectives involve others, get them on your team. Why should you have to do everything? That just doesn't make sense.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
You're learning quickly, so don't even worry if you don't have all the answers. Figure

out where to start looking for them, and jump into the game.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Fixing up your home is a way to buy a few things you like, and making your savings account grow, simultaneously. It's a wonderful thing.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
You're advancing to the next level, so there'll be more things to learn. Also pay attention to a coach you know you can trust.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
You like to listen to all points of view, and encourage compromise. You don't have to do that all the time, however. It's OK to have strong opinions.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
You have the authority now. Show you also have the wisdom. Don't waste your time

or money on shiny trinkets. Go for the good stuff.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
You get to be the referee, a job you do very well. You're tested, too, but you can stay cool. Don't let them see you sweat.

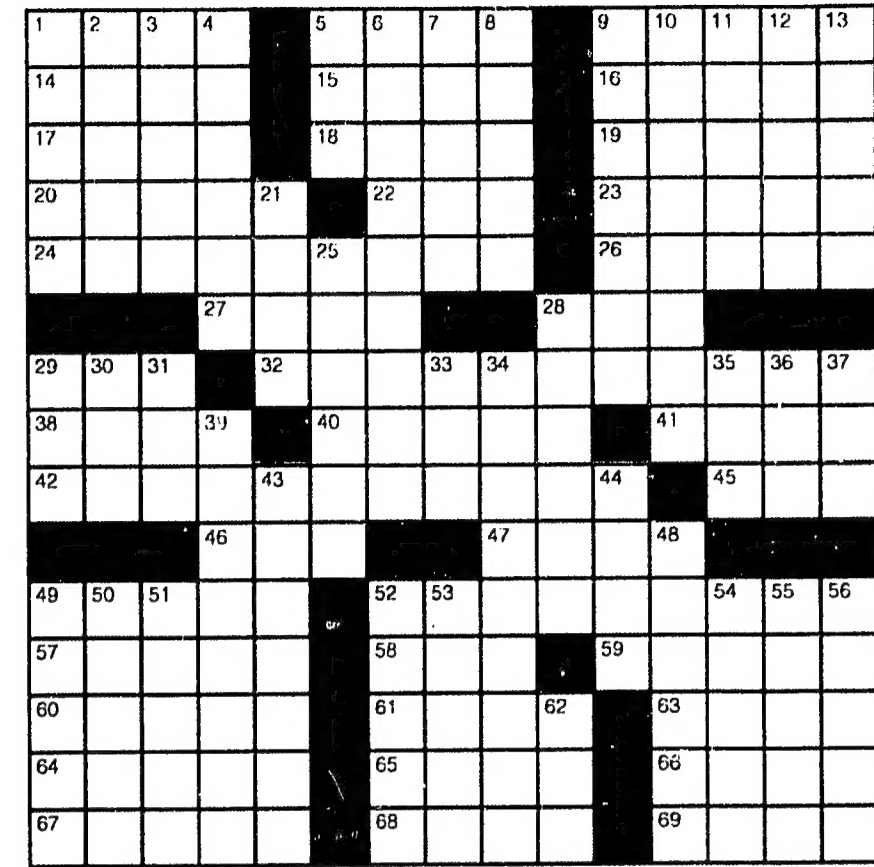
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
One of the ways you keep the advantage is by paying attention. Don't take a rumor at face value. Make sure you know the real story.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
It seems that you have enough money to do whatever you want. That may be true, but if you're smart, you'll start by paying off your bills.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
There will be resistance, so you go bit by bit, or you don't get going. Don't be stopped by those who disagree with you. Outwit them.

Crossword

ACROSS
1 Sibilant signal
5 Rubs out
9 Disney
14 Merry sounds
15 Winglike parts
16 Violent tirades
17 Night in Nice
18 Dish with stock
19 Make changes to
20 Shaq or Tatum
22 Q-U connection
23 Sal of "Rebel Without a Cause"
24 Clawed monkeys
26 Pot starters
27 Eisenhower and Turner
28 Actress Farrow
29 Pub pint
32 Teaching
38 Soft-drink flavor
40 South Korea's capital
41 Hoisery shack
42 Snack on a stick
45 Pull out to sea
46 Passing craze
47 Software support person
49 Washes
52 Retired trotter, perhaps
57 Papal bull
58 Do wrong
59 Upright
60 "Beau ____"
61 Rockies resort
63 Steep, rugged rock
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3 More timid
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13 Precursor to Windows
21 Mischievous god
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29 Dramatic division
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31 Santa's helper
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SECOND *Time* AROUND

Over-the-counter sale of emergency contraception begs the questions: If life were a game, who should get the chance cards and how many?

WOMEN CONCEIVE
3 MILLION
UNPLANNED BABIES EACH YEAR

Diaphragm
slips, do not
pass go

Miss a pill, lose
a turn

Stephanie Stangl
Editor in Chief

Sex remains at the bottom of her priority list. In fact, for now, it's not even on the list.

Northwest sophomore student Tinsley chooses to abstain from sex for fear of being dependent upon another human being. At a young age.

"I practice abstinence for selfish reasons," Tinsley said. "When I want to go for a run in the morning, I want to be able to go. I can't rely on a checkbook. How could I have children right now?"

Tinsley may not have to worry about the possibility of an unplanned pregnancy, but for the women who don't practice chastity, and for the complex who produce the nation's three million unplanned children per year, some say a little help is on the way.

The Food and Drug Administration made second-chance contraception more readily available Aug. 24 by approving the "Morning-After Pill" for non-prescription use. By the end of the year, Plan B—the drug's prescription name—will be available at pharmacies. Women over the counter can obtain the pill and

take Plan B within 72 hours to decrease the chance of pregnancy by up to 89 percent, with girls under 17 needing a prescription. However, the earlier the pill is taken, the more effective it is.

Currently, 1.5 million packs of the product are dispensed yearly. However, not requiring a prescription for the pill is a poor choice, the Tinsley suspects after pill over the counter will advocate eagerness and foster promiscuity.

King City, Mo., resident Joyce Scott, 57, agrees with Tinsley and says women don't abuse the use of the pill. However, she also sees the possibility of unwanted pregnancies as advantageous.

"I hate to see kids abused and kids who aren't wanted," Scott said. "I am very much a Christian and believe in abstinence, but I don't think the Lord counted on all this."

However, research conducted by the American Academy of Pediatrics concludes no correlation exists between use of emergency contraception and frequency of

sexual encounters. In a research study conducted of 15 to 24-year-olds, "one group received advance provision of emergency contraception and a control group received education only. There were no null differences in the frequency of unprotected sex between the groups."

Plan B contains a noncontraceptive dose of the same drug found in many types of birth control pills and will not affect existing pregnancies. It should not be confused with RU-486—the abortion pill.

Some health-care providers fear over-the-counter sale of the drug will remove the middle man from the consultation. The physician provides. During the visit, prior to Plan B being prescribed, a physician is able to answer any questions the woman may have and advise them of possible side effects that include nausea, fatigue, headache and menstrual changes.

"It's a trade-off on either side," Murr said. "I would rather see it sold over the counter if more women will use it. I thought if they are too embarrassed to get a prescription for it."

Many advocates hail the FDA

for making emergency contraception available without prescription, yet scoff at the age requirement. One of the reasons many think the requirement should be lifted is because of the numbers of unplanned pregnancies occurring in the 17- and under age bracket. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, 74 percent of pregnancies for 15 to 19-year-olds are described as unintended.

In 2003, 47 percent of high school students were sexually active and 34 percent of those did not use a condom, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

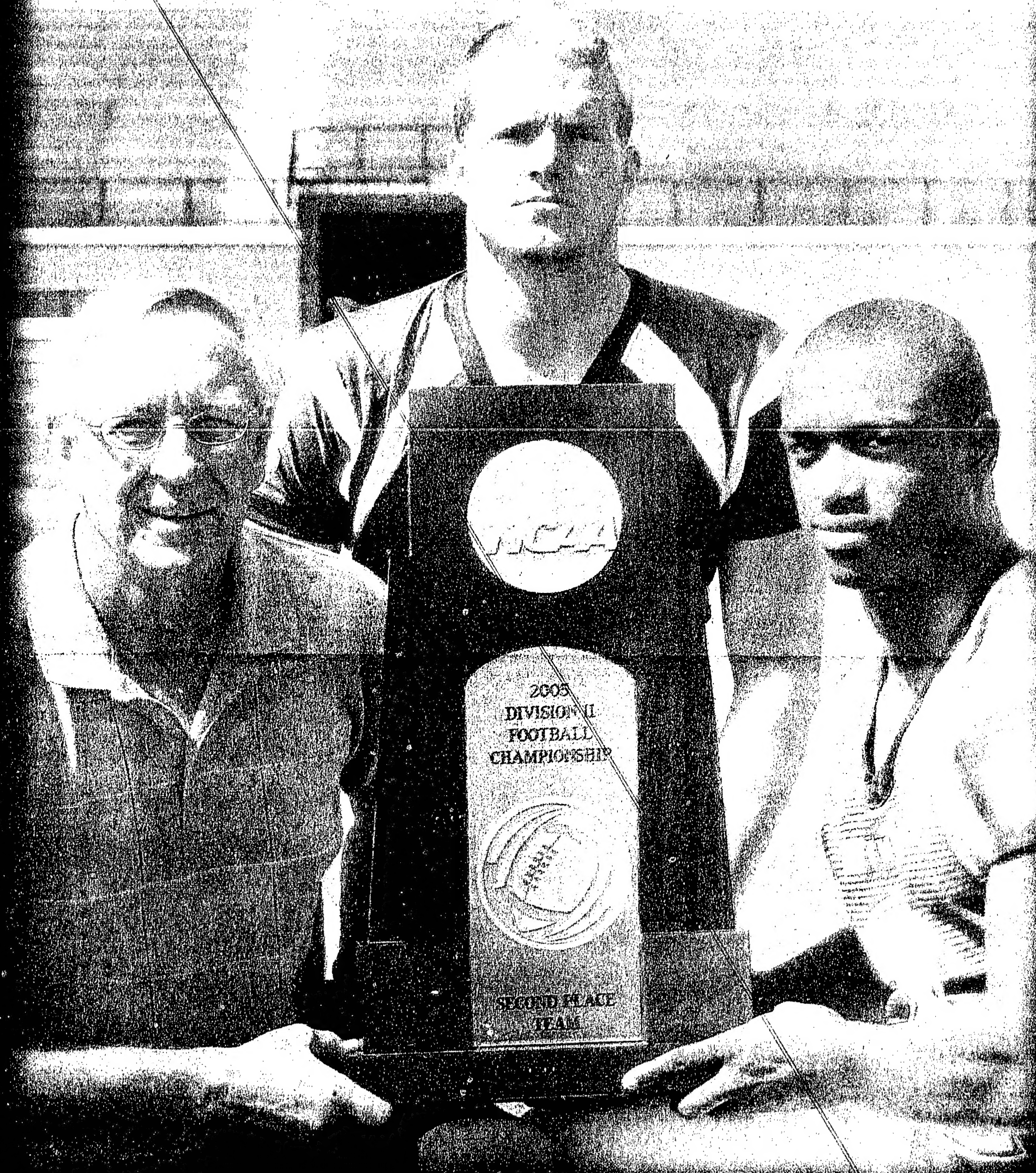
"I'd like to see the age requirement removed...anyone who is sexually active should have access to the morning-after pill and birth control," Murr said.

Whatever women decide to do, if a condom breaks, a pill is missed or any other reason emergency contraception is needed, Murr wants students to know that the Health Center—like other medical outlets—is a safe, non-judgmental environment.

"We just want women to get on a plan based upon decisions they make," Murr said.

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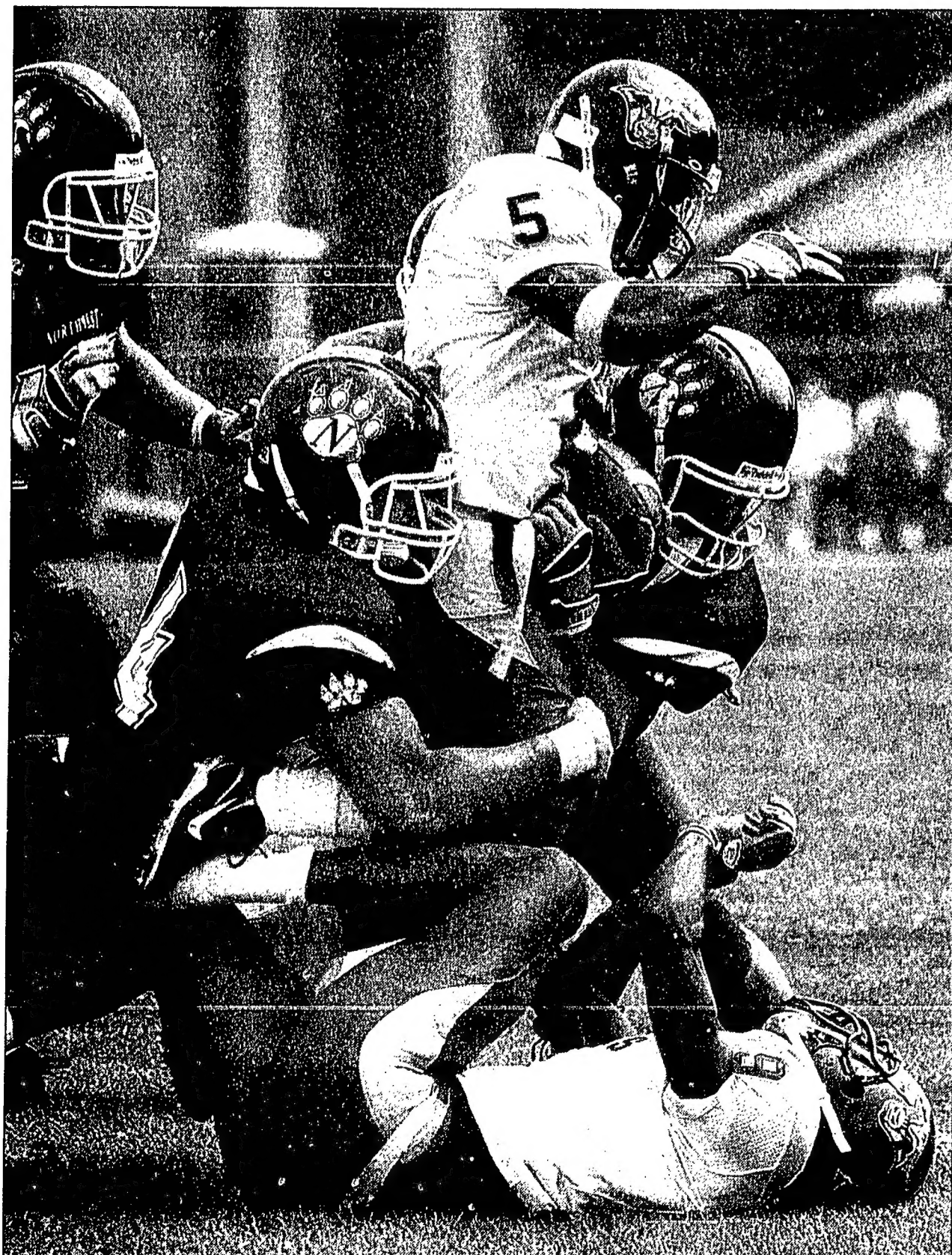


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Northwest football coach Mel Tjeerdsma (left), quarterback Josh Mathews (center) and running back Xavier Omon (right) lead the Bearcats in a return trip back to Alabama. And this time they want the Division II National Championship.

PREVIEW

'Bama on their minds



Northwest's Ryan Waters, left, helps teammates take down Minnesota State-Mankato's running back Bryan Alberty during Saturday's game. Waters executed four tackles and one sack during the game.

Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

Four yards. That's how close Mel Tjeerdsmas and the Northwest football program was to its third national championship.

Despite not even being thought of as national championship contenders when the Bearcats made the playoffs, the 'Cats weren't satisfied with their late, improbable postseason run.

"They want that championship."

"I think we're definitely a team that can do it, I think we showed that last year," Tjeerdsmas said.

Tjeerdsmas, who enters his 13th season as Northwest's football coach, and the 'Cats hope they have the right tools to repeat their run and hopefully finish what they started, so to speak, last year in Alabama, the site of the national championship game.

"I think the big thing right now is that this football team is coming off a season where they really finished on a high note other than the championship game," Tjeerdsmas said. "The guys coming back, really learned a lot about being a team, about caring for each other, they learned a lot about preparation."

"...We got that (preparation) back last year at the end of the season, really in the playoffs. This team really bought into that and this team now there's a lot carry-over from that."

The team, ranked No. 2 in the most recent American Football Coaches Association poll, is led by junior quarterback Josh Mathews. He replaces Josh Lamberson after Lamberson graduated last December.

At running back Xavier Omon, enters his third year at the spot. Omon became the all-time leading rusher during regular season games in Northwest history Saturday against Minnesota State-Mankato. He now needs just 206 yards to become the all-time

rusher in school history with 3,536 yards.

"I'm happy to get it," Omon said. "I really didn't do it by myself...All that really matters is if we get the win."

Defensively, eight starters return to a unit that shut down opponents late in the postseason.

"I think this team has the possibility of being as good a defense as we've ever had," Tjeerdsmas said. "...Hopefully, if we're fortunate enough to stay healthy I believe we have some real possibilities of being real good."

On special teams, punter Jake Bradshaw will continue to punt despite a lackluster performance. Sophomore Tommy Frevert returns as the placekicker and Kendall Wright will return kicks.

Northwest again finds themselves in one of the toughest conferences in the nation as three other schools in the Mid-Intercollegiate Athletics Association Conference are nationally ranked.

The Bearcats will hit the road five times and play Pittsburg State in a neutral game at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., in the Fall Classic V.

Nebraska-Omaha comes to town

For Northwest football players from Nebraska, this is their bragging rights game.

While most players from Missouri look forward to the Missouri Western or Central Missouri State game, when Nebraska-Omaha comes to Maryville Saturday, the Nebraska natives will be ready to go.

"I've got to redeem myself," said Omon, a Beatrice, Neb., native.

Last season Nebraska-Omaha jumped out to a 21-0 lead and eventually won 28-23 to give Northwest its first loss of the season.

"We have to jump on them early," Omon said.

Though Omon and others said they have to get a lead early, they also said they can't do what they did against Mankato—get up early

and level off.

"We got on top, but we can't let teams back into it," Omon said.

Offensively, No. 10 Nebraska-Omaha (of the North Central Conference) racked up 202 rushing yards against Nebraska-Kearney in their 29-19 season opening victory. Kyle Kasperbauer rushed for 86 yards on 19 carries, followed closely behind by Zach Miller with 14 carries for 62 yards and one touchdown.

Quarterback Greg Wunderlich completed seven passes for 101 yards and one touchdown, while throwing one interception. On the receiving end Troy Kush caught five passes for 82 yards and one touchdown.

"They're going to be different in some respects than last year because they did have one of the best running backs in the country last year. They had a great wide receiver and a veteran quarterback, so those people are gone," Tjeerdsmas said.

"They got a great tight end (Zac Herold) I'm sure he's definitely an NFL prospect...they've had some injuries that's hurt them a bit. But (Omaha) will definitely be a challenge for us."

Defensively, the Mavericks picked off three passes, recorded two sacks and held Nebraska-Kearney to just 19 yards on the ground and 133 passing yards.

"They're good players with a lot of speed," Tjeerdsmas said. "That's the biggest challenge we have, they have a lot of team speed on both sides of the ball, but especially on defense. They'll be one of the more talented defenses we'll see all year. You can't really tell until you get into the game but they'll be a lot more of a challenge than Mankato was."

After the match-up against the Mavericks at 1 p.m. Saturday at Bearcat Stadium, the 'Cats will hit the road for the first time this season.

Conference season begins with a trip to Kirksville, Mo., for a game against the Truman State Bulldogs.

American Football Coaches Association Division II Coaches' Poll

1. Grand Valley State

2. Northwest Missouri State

3. North Alabama

4. North Dakota

5. Saginaw Valley State

6. Valdosta State

7. Pittsburg State

8. Carson-Newman

9. West Texas A&M

10. Nebraska-Omaha

11. Southeastern Oklahoma State

12. South Dakota

13. Bloomsburg

14. Shepherd

15. Winona State

16. Washburn*

17. California (Pa.)

18. North Carolina Central

19. Tuskegee

20. C.W. Post

21. Delta State

22. Presbyterian

23. Northwood

24. Central Missouri State*

25. Catawba

* indicates conference schools

Lamberson receives scholar award

Josh Lamberson might have graduated nine months ago, but that doesn't stop the awards from coming in.

The former quarterback was recently named ESPN The Magazine's 2005-2006 Academic All-America for the college division.

"That's probably over 1,000 schools (involved) and then male and female combined, for him to win that award, that's incredible," Northwest coach Mel Tjeerdsmas said.

Lamberson, from Wilber, Neb., graduated in December with a major in corporate recreation and finished with a 4.0 GPA. He also broke several school passing records in just three years at quarterback.

"Early on in your career, in college, it's frustrating because you have so many things going on," Lamberson said. "So it takes a little perseverance."

Lamberson currently serves as a graduate assistant with the quarterbacks on the football team.

2006 Volleyball Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Time |
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| Sept. 8-9 | at Washburn Invite | TBA |
| Sept. 12 | Truman State | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 16 | at Central Missouri State | 11 a.m. |
| Sept. 16 | at Missouri-St. Louis | 1:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 20 | Missouri Western State | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 22 | at Emporia State | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 23 | at Washburn (non-conference) | 5 p.m. |
| Sept. 27 | at Missouri Southern State | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 30 | Fort Hays State | 2 p.m. |
| Oct. 3 | at Nebraska-Omaha | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 6 | Southwest Baptist | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 7 | at Pittsburg State | 6:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 13-14 | at Henderson State Tournament | TBA |
| Oct. 17 | Washburn | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 21 | Central Missouri State | 5 p.m. |
| Oct. 24 | at Rockhurst | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 27 | at Missouri Western State | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 28 | at Truman State | 2 p.m. |
| Oct. 31 | MIAA Quarterfinals | TBA |
| Nov. 3 | MIAA Tournament Semifinal | TBA |
| Nov. 4 | MIAA Tournament Championship | TBA |
| Nov. 9-12 | NCAA Regionals | TBA |
| Nov. 16-18, 19 | NCAA Nationals | TBA |

'Cats win MIAA opener

Cali Arnold
Assistant Sports Editor

The Northwest volleyball team snagged its first conference victory of the season and coach Anna Tool's first MIAA victory as a Bearcat Tuesday night.

The 'Cats defeated Southwest Baptist in Bolivar, Mo., in four games, 30-25, 30-16, 27-30 and 30-24.

Tool said the team came out a little sluggish from the bus ride but played well in the first two games. The third game was simply a kink in the night.

"I think we were just so aggressive in game two that we took a small step back in the third game," Tool said. "We just weren't as sharp."

The team did have a strong night on both sides of the net, especially senior left side hitter Sarah Trowbridge. She recorded 17 defensive digs, 16 kills and three ace serves.

Senior setter Molly Hanks had 59 assists along with four kills.

Northwest travels to Topeka, Kan., on Friday and Saturday for the Washburn Invite.

The Anna Tool Profile

Head Coach: Anna Tool

Overall record as head coach prior to NW: 38-22

College: University of Minnesota-Morris

Coaching Experience: Graduate Assistant—South Dakota State (Division II)

Assistant Coach—North Carolina State (Division I) Head Coach—Virginia Wesleyan College (Division III)

New coaches bring new style

Cali Arnold
Assistant Sports Editor

A transition year is expected for the Northwest volleyball team, but neither the new coaches nor the experienced players are worried.

Anna Tool took over as head coach in February and was joined by Northwest volleyball alumna Steph (Sunken) Martin as her assistant in April. Tool came to Maryville after spending two years as head coach at Division III Virginia Wesleyan College in Virginia Beach, Va., and Martin made the switch from head volleyball coach at Maryville High School in 2005.

"The difference has been night and day," Martin said. "It's been a great experience. I learned more in two weeks here coaching than I did in four years of playing."

Tool played volleyball and basketball for four years at the University of Minnesota-Morris. After choosing to coach volleyball she worked as a graduate assistant at South Dakota State for two years. The team, a member of Division II, was nationally ranked both seasons she was there, finishing fourth in the nation her second year. Tool then moved to Division I North Carolina State to be an assistant coach for three years before moving to Virginia Wesleyan.

"I enjoyed the two years in that position (Virginia Wesleyan) but definitely knew that Division III wasn't long term for me," Tool said. "I'd always been looking for that, for me, that ideal position that would bring me back to the Midwest."

Having experience in three divisions in the NCAA helped Tool know what she wanted for herself and her players.

"With having the Division I, Division II and Division III experience, I just feel like in Division II the student athletes get the best of both worlds," Tool said. "We can help them out with athletic scholarships but yet they aren't all consumed by volleyball. They can still have a little bit of balance with college life."

The position at Northwest was the answer for Tool. The combination of the campus, the size of the school and the competitiveness of the MIAA, along with being able to have both a full-time assistant coach and a graduate assistant, helped make her transition easier. She came to Maryville with her husband, Ryan, who is the new guidance counselor at Maryville High School, and two children, Carter, 3, and Taylor, 4 months.

"We really liked the smaller community," Tool said. "It's good for our kids to grow up in with a smaller school and a more family-friendly environment. Everything that's been done around the kids and we felt at home right away."

As for the players, the four returning seniors, outside hitters Sarah Trowbridge and Allison Hyland, setter Molly Hanks and middle hitter

Mackenzie Heston, had an equally trying offseason. After seeing coach Lori Slight leave, the transition of coaches with only a year left in their careers proved difficult at times.

"It definitely can be a scary transition kind of not knowing where that's going to go, but it's been an awesome chance for us to have," Trowbridge said. "Coach Tool is just a really great coach and has such good direction that she gives us and is really knowledgeable about every position out there."

Hanks said the wait before meeting Tool and starting practice was difficult, but things have fallen into place now that the season has started.

"It was hard because we met with a lot of coaches and it was kind of nerve wracking. I know all the girls felt like we had potential and good athletes, but we needed a strong coach to come in and push us in the right way," Hanks said.

Northwest finished at 15-19 last year and 5-11 in the MIAA, but failed to make the conference tournament after Pittsburg State beat Missouri Western in the final regular season match. Trowbridge tallied 489 kills, ranking second on the team, and Heston averaged 800 blocks per game, placing her in third place on the Northwest career records.

With having the balance of experience and newcomers, Tool believes the program is new compared to what was there in the past.

"The players individually have developed so much and yet they've expanded their options. Their training is more technical and individually they have become better players, so that's making us obviously a much stronger team on the court," Tool said. "We have a strong group of seniors who will kind of lead the way for us and we have some very quality underclassmen—freshmen, sophomores, juniors—who will, you know, fill in and make for the strongest team."

Hanks is in a very critical position, according to her coach. Tool compared the setter to a quarterback in football. Having a good head mentally and knowing who to deliver to in different situations leads to what Tool believes is the toughest job on the court.

Heston and Trowbridge will be relied upon for their experience in the outside and middle hitter positions. Both have many more options than they did in previous years due to footwork training they worked on this summer with Tool.

Freshman Priscilla Bremer and redshirt freshman Ashley Mitchell will both see significant playing time this year as well. Although Mitchell doesn't have college game experience, Tool feels she has the potential to be a tough player to stop. The coach is also looking at Bremer as someone who always wants the ball and is a very dynamic



Lesha Hanks spikes the ball during practice. The Bearcats won their first conference match Tuesday.

player.

Tool is expecting Truman State and Washburn to be in the mix for the conference championship, but knows that Northwest will be in the hunt as well.

"I feel we can be competitive with anyone we see this season," Tool said. "It's just a matter of having the right mentality stepping on the court and having more of the idea in their heads that we step on the court and we do our thing. We don't step on the court trying to stop the other team, we take care of our team and they have to stop us."

Two-deep depth chart

| Offense | | | Defense | | |
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| No. | Name | Year | No. | Name | Year |
| QB | | | | | |
| 17 | Josh Mathews Jr. | | 94 | Ryan Waters Sr. | |
| 12 | Joel Osborn Jr. | | 80 | Tyler Mathews Jr. | |
| A-Back | | | | | |
| 2 | Xavier Omon Jr. | | 98 | Terry Bilbro Jr. | |
| 27 | LaRon Council Jr.-RS | | 52 | Joah Beagley Sr. | |
| B-Back | | | | | |
| 41 | Zach Sherman Sr. | | 58 | Kyle Kaiser Sr. | |
| 47 | Josh Maschmeier Jr.-RS | | 93 | TJ Kaatman Jr. | |
| Receiver | | | | | |
| 5 | Raphael Robinson Sr. | | 96 | Dallas Flynn Jr. | |
| 10 | Abe Qaoud So. | | 97 | Sean Paddock Jr.-RS | |
| Receiver | | | | | |
| 4 | Kendall Wright So. | | 31 | Ben Harness Sr. | |
| 6 | E.J. Falkner Jr. | | 20 | Tommy Miller Jr. | |
| TE | | | | | |
| 89 | Mike Peterson Jr. | | 46 | Jared Erspamer Jr. | |
| 86 | Jon Goss Jr. | | 40 | Daniel Gabris So. | |
| LT | | | | | |
| 71 | Reid Kirby Jr. | | 42 | Thomas Smith Sr. | |
| 76 | Drew Butler Jr. | | 45 | Dustin Conard Jr. | |
| LG | | | | | |
| 75 | Tom Pestock Jr. | | 1 | Quinten Womack Sr. | |
| 55 | Kyle Dunn Jr. | | 3 | Darrell Clark Sr. | |
| C | | | | | |
| 65 | Matt Nelson So. | | 11 | Chris Termini Jr. | |
| 60 | Jeremy Davis So. | | 48 | Gerrit Hane Jr. | |
| RG | | | | | |
| 79 | Gabe Frank Sr. | | 15 | Myles Burnside Jr.-RS | |
| 61 | Steve Stroh Jr. | | 7 | Brandon Pratt Sr. | |
| RT | | | | | |
| 74 | Joe Holtzclaw Jr. | | 13 | Tyler Martin Sr. | |
| 69 | Adam Barr Jr. | | 9 | Brandon Clayton So. | |
| | | | 26 | Diezeeas Calbert Sr. | |

Special Teams

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| Punter | |
| 16 | Jake Bradshaw So. |
| 14 | Michael Stadler Jr. |
| Kicker | |
| 43 | Tommy Frevert So. |
| Snapper | |
| 92 | Cody Lanus So. |
| 96 | Dallas Flynn Jr. |
| Holder | |
| 17 | Josh Mathews Jr. |
| 18 | Kyle Johnson Jr. |
| Kick Ret. | |
| 4 | Kendall Wright So. |
| 6 | E.J. Falkner Jr. |
| Punt Ret. | |
| 4 | Kendall Wright So. |
| 1 | Quinten Womack Sr. |



Northwest's Xavier Omon hauls a bunch of Minnesota-Mankato defenders Saturday during the game. Omon set the school record for career rushing yards in regular season games. The team now hosts Nebraska-Omaha Saturday.

2006 Northwest Football Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Location | Time/Result |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Sept. 2 | Minnesota State | Bearcat Stadium | W, 31-14 |
| Sept. 9 | Nebraska-Omaha | Bearcat Stadium | 1 p.m. |
| Sept. 16 | Truman State* | Kirksville, Mo. | noon |
| Sept. 23 | Missouri Western* | Bearcat Stadium | 1 p.m. |
| Sept. 30 | Missouri Southern* | Joplin, Mo. | 6 p.m. |
| Oct. 7 | Emporia State* | Bearcat Stadium | 1 p.m. |
| Oct. 14 | Washburn* | Topeka, Kan. | 1 p.m. |
| Oct. 21 | Fort Hays State* | Bearcat Stadium | 1:30 p.m. |
| Homecoming | | | |
| Oct. 28 | Central Missouri* | Warrensburg, Mo. | 1:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 4 | Pittsburg State* | Kansas City, Mo. | 2 p.m. |
| Fall Classic at Arrowhead V | | | |
| Nov. 11 | Southwest Baptist* | Bolivar, Mo. | 1:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 18 | NCAA First Round | TBA | TBA |
| Nov. 25 | NCAA Second Round | TBA | TBA |
| Dec. 2 | NCAA Quarterfinals | TBA | TBA |
| Dec. 9 | NCAA Semifinals | TBA | TBA |
| Dec. 16 | NCAA DII Championship | Florence, Ala. | TBA |

* indicates conference game

Quote of the Week

"If anyone sees a member of the student body, thank them."

Mel Tjeerdsmas, football coach's message to his team after Tuesday's practice. Tjeerdsmas said the student body section was the most enthusiastic student body that he has ever seen in a regular season game.



Mel Tjeerdsmas
13th year as head coach

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'Cats ready to make a run

Brett Barger
Assistant Sports Editor

Before the 2006 cross-country season kicks off Friday, the men's team already improved and the women's team dropped off from last season, according to the MIAA pre-season coaches poll.

The men's cross-country team ranks No. 3 in the MIAA pre-season coaches poll, while the women's team sits dead last. Since the 2002 season, No. 3 is the highest the men's cross-country team has been ranked.

Junior Brandon Dart said he expected the team to finish at least third, if not better.

Coach Richard Alsop, in his 30th year as cross-country coach, will have two All-MIAA runners coming back.

Senior Matt Pohlen returns after finishing sixth at the MIAA Championships—the highest team finish since 1998. Running alongside Pohlen will be fellow senior Drew Wilson. Wilson also finished in the top 10, coming in eighth.

One runner turning heads is junior college transfer Bichok Deng, a junior, begins his first year at Northwest after spending time at Iowa Central Community College. Last season, Deng qualified for the NJCAA Outdoor National Championships in the 5,000 and 10,000-meter run and the 1,600-meter relay.

"It's encouraging. This could be a pretty salty group," Alsop said. "The big key is going to be to try and find one or two or three more that can be pretty close to the pack."

On the women's side, the team did not finish so well. For the second time in three seasons, the women's team will sit in the basement of the MIAA pre-season coaches poll.

Northwest coach Scott Lorek is not perturbed at all by where the rest of the MIAA has his team finishing.

"It doesn't discourage me," Lorek said. "But it also tells me that obviously other teams don't think we have much and that's fine with me too."

Sophomore Anna O'Brien said the team does not worry about the rankings, because it "sometimes puts a limitation on you."

O'Brien and junior Karah Spader are among the top returners for the Bearcats. Both hold the two fastest times in the 6K run in school history. Last year, O'Brien finished 11th at the MIAA championships, while Spader came in at 17th.

"The desire on this team to be a very good team is very high."

Scott Lorek, head women's coach

"They've also been doing an outstanding job as team leaders," Lorek said. "That's essential, they've been good role models and good mentors."

Lorek also said he was impressed by the freshmen class and their training habits.

"It's a good recruiting class," Lorek said. "We haven't had a meet, but I mean training wise and what they've done over the summer with their programs has been very, very good. I'm excited that we're starting at a good spot with them."

Another runner looking to make a splash is junior Kim Homan. Last season, Homan finished 10th at the MIAA championships.

"(Homan) is starting off her best season ever and she's a junior," Lorek said. "That's really important for her to step it up and that's really good."

In his second year at Northwest, Lorek is beginning to see that his runners are "buying into" his program.

"We're mainly ahead because they've really bought into that this is a year round sport," Lorek said. "The desire on this team to be a very good team is very high."

Both the men's and women's team will compete at 6:20 p.m. on Friday in Warrensburg, Mo. in the Mule Run.

Squad hopes this is their year

Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

The records the Northwest soccer team tied or set last season might not be the most ideal to bring about.

Eight overtimes tied a national record for the most overtime games in a season and the 'Cats set a school record for the most ties in a season with five.

"We obviously want to win more games than we did last year," junior midfielder Brittany Cashing said.

Hoping to elude a scoring drought again, the 'Cats, who went 5-8-5 looking to get the ball in the back of the net. Forwards Amanda Deml and senior Kayla Griffin will lead that charge this season.

Deml is just a sophomore, but with the absence of senior Beth Gutschnitter, Cross hopes she can step up.

Gutschnitter tore her ACL just five games into the season last year and it worsened over the past year so much that she medical redshirted for this year.

Griffin, who transferred from Southwest Baptist University last season, will also pack a powerful punch as she led the team with six goals last season. Junior Margaret Trimmer will also help up front and hope to tack onto her career assists record, which was at eight before the season.

At midfield, Cash, Jamie Campbell will be among the upperclassmen leading the position. Also, in the mix this year is Erica Sundt who has had to sit out the past two years because of ACL injuries.

Despite the lack of goals in the past, the defense has kept the Bearcats in games. Once again, the defense plans to do that.

"A lot of people might not realize, because they don't know the game of soccer, but defense is the key to the game," senior defender Amy Jackson said. "It's not just the people taking the shots and scoring the goals, it's our entire team working together to defend and our last line of defense is just keeping balls away from our goalkeeper."

Fourth-year coach Tracy Cross said the keys to winning are simple. "No. 1 (we have) to defend, allow very few errors in the back and secondly score," Cross said.

At goalie is senior Alison Sheridan, who holds the career record for most minutes played. Sheridan will be key, like the defense, to keep the 'Cats in games.

Two years ago Cross had more than 10 freshmen on the roster, this year those freshmen have moved into the upperclassmen ranks and

others can tell they have matured.

"They're taking ownership of the program and being more disciplined," Griffin said. "We're playing together rather than individualistic. That's our big thing throughout pre-season and pretty much the year. We'll win as a team, lose as a team, everything together."

Overall, the team hopes this is the year that puts them over the edge and into the upper tier of the conference.

The team set a goal of trying to finish in the top four in the conference and they believe it is possible.

"We were young last year and we weren't really expected to do too well. But I think this year we know we can do well, we know we are good soccer players on a good team," Griffin said. "...We're expecting more from ourselves."

Soccer off to best start in history

Jackson nails penalty kick to give 'Cats win

Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

Last year's Northwest soccer team might have lost a game like Monday's.

But not this year's team. A team, that in the past, was known for not getting shots to go in, pulled one out.

Northwest took 25 shots Monday, outshooting visiting Augustana by 15. However, in the 54th minute senior Kayla Griffin was fouled in Augustana's penalty box. Then senior Amy Jackson took the shot against Augustana goalkeeper Lisa Jarovski.

"(Jarovski) was getting everything up high so I just thought I'd keep it down low and see what I could do with it and thankfully

it win," Jackson said. "I'm glad that we walked away with a win because I think we really deserved it."

Northwest (3-1), who is off to the best start in school history, won both games this weekend at Bearcat Pitch as they defeated Concordia-St. Paul 4-1 Saturday at Bearcat Pitch.

Last season, the 'Cats struggled to get goals and often found themselves in overtime, and on many occasions in double overtime.

So for Northwest coach Tracy Cross, Monday's win was very pleasant.

"I was more impressed with at this time last year a game like we had on Monday would have gone into overtime," she said. "So I'm more impressed with the win obviously, taking care of the game during game time and doing what you can to win."

During Monday's game, Northwest goalkeeper Alison Sheridan stopped all five shots on goal by Augustana while Northwest's defense kept Augustana to a total of 10 shots overall.

On Saturday, Northwest defeated Concordia-St. Paul 4-1. Krista Obley put Northwest on the board early with a goal off a corner kick in the 17th minute. Jamie Campbell added another Northwest goal when she scored more than two minutes later.

Concordia St. Paul, which only had three shots on goal, scored in the 72nd minute to cut the deficit to a goal. Northwest responded with two goals in the next eight minutes to put the game out of contention. Holly Ramaeker and Katie Johnson scored the last two goals.

"We actually put them under a lot of pressure by attacking a lot in the first 20 minutes," Cross said. "In the second half, being 2-0 up is one of the hardest positions to be in because you tend to be like 'OK, let's



Amy Jackson
Defender

just sit back right now.' And we did that and they came back and scored. But the girls were persistent and came back and we had two more put in."

Through their first four games, the 'Cats have already doubled their scoring output at this point last season. A through four games last season they had six goals, this season they have scored 12 times already.

Up next for the 'Cats is Upper Iowa at noon Saturday at Bearcat Pitch. In the teams' first game against each other last season, Northwest squeaked out a 2-1 victory in overtime.

The game will be the third of a current five-game homestand. After the game against Upper Iowa, it will be matches against conference schools from here on out.

According to the players, the homestand is important and they won't be satisfied with winning just two out of three.

"We just want to go out there and win, win them all," Obley said.

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2006 Northwest soccer schedule

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| Sept. 9 | Upper Iowa | Noon | Oct. 7 | Missouri Western* | 11:00 a.m. |
| Sept. 15 | Southwest Baptist* | 2:00 p.m. | Oct. 14 | Washburn* | 2:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 16 | Missouri Southern* | 2:00 p.m. | Oct. 15 | Emporia State* | 3:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 23 | at Washburn* | 1:00 p.m. | Oct. 21 | at Southwest Baptist* | Noon |
| Sept. 24 | at Emporia State* | 1:00 p.m. | Oct. 22 | at Missouri Southern* | 2:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 27 | at Central Missouri* | 7:00 p.m. | Oct. 28 | Central Missouri* | 2:00 p.m. |
| Sept. 30 | at Truman State* | Noon | Oct. 29 | Truman State | 2:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 4 | at Missouri Western* | 7:00 p.m. | | | |

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2006 Northwest cross country schedule

| Date | Event |
|----------|--|
| Sept. 8 | Mule Run (Both) 6:20 p.m. |
| Sept. 16 | Woody Greeno/JNL Invite (Both) 10 a.m. |
| Sept. 23 | Roy Griak Invitational (Men) 10 a.m. |
| Sept. 30 | Rhodes Invitational (Women) TBA |
| Oct. 6 | Coyote Invitational (Both) 10:30 a.m. |
| Oct. 21 | MIAA Championships (Both) 10 a.m. |
| Nov. 4 | NCAA D-II S. Central Regional 10:30 a.m. |
| Nov. 18 | NCAA Championships |

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Maryville cross country ready to go the distance

Brett Barger
Assistant Sports Editor

The Maryville Cross Country squads finished near the middle of the pack in competition in 2005, but expectations as the 2006 season nears are at an all-time high.

"As a whole, the season wasn't great," second year head coach Phil Stone said. "Last year was a success as far as getting people out. We had 13 kids."

The 2006 edition will feature an even lineup on both the boys and girls side with 10 members, but with key losses. Dawson Vorderbruegge, the only state qualifier from last year, departed with his family to Hawaii.

Vorderbruegge led the team with two top-five finishes and holds the schools cross country record.

"He was a hell of a cross country runner, so that was kind of a big loss," Stone said.

Vorderbruegge's father, Darren, left his job as Northwest men's assistant basketball coach and headed to Hawaii Pacific to take over the basketball program.

On the girls' side, the team will be without Megan Hayden, who graduated last year. Hayden led the team with two top-10 finishes and also qualified for the state meet.

The team has been practicing since Aug. 9 and the results of Stone's rigorous conditioning pro-

gram have the team ahead of there pace last season.

"Last year, we were doing six-mile runs towards the end of the season and we topped out with a nine-mile run," Stone said. "But they knew this year that we were starting out with six-mile runs. Expectations are higher, the workouts are harder so I definitely think that our team scores will improve."

Returning for the Spoofhounds is sophomore Alex Thomson. Thomson finished in the top 15 in two meets. Alongside Thomson will be freshman Josh Elliot, who transferred from a high school in Kansas.

"We've got two kids and I haven't seen them compete yet, but as far as what I've seen in practice, they just stand alone," Stone said.

On the girls' side, Stone said he looks for junior Ashley Blanchard to have a good year. Blanchard missed qualifying for state by seven spots last year.

"I think this year she knows what it takes and I see her putting the effort in practice to get herself ready to compete in districts and get to state this year," Stone said.

Blanchard is only one of two returning runners, but is confident in some of the new runners such as freshman Shelby Jones.

The Spoofhounds opened the season Tuesday at Clarinda.

Former Bearcat returns as coach

Calif Arnold
Assistant Sports Editor

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Improvements needed



Maryville Spoofhound Cory Cronk rushes past Chillicothe's defense during Friday night's game.

Last year's losses give 'Hounds advantage this season

Brett Barger
Assistant Sports Editor

One advantage the Maryville Spoofhounds football team has going into the 2006 season is things could not be any worse than last year.

Last year the 'Hounds suffered through one of the worse seasons in school history—finishing 2-7 (1-6, MEC).

The starting lineup will undergo changes this season. Junior Andy Walter will start at quarterback, after seeing some time towards the end of last season. In one game this season, Walter passed for 111 yards with one touchdown and zero turnovers in Maryville's 30-14 loss to Chillicothe Friday night.

"At the jamboree we couldn't really throw the ball," Walter said.

"At least now, we've stepped up a lot and our offense has gotten better and our defensive line has gotten better. We're still a young team and we're learning."

At running back will be junior Malcolm Swinford. Last season, Tyler Oglesby led the team in rushing with 278 yards. Swinford got off to a great start rushing for 78 yards Friday.

First year Maryville head coach Chris Holt comes to Maryville with a 34-18 record in five seasons. Holt replaces Paul Miller, who left the 'Hounds after an 11-10 record in two seasons.

With his arrival comes a sense of optimism. Holt is a proven winner arriving from Class 1 Princeton, where he led the team to a 9-1 record and a Grand River conference championship in 2005. His team also

ranked first in both points scored and points allowed.

This year's team is a polar opposite compared to his former team. The 'Hounds scored just over 100 points and gave up over 300 points last season—a stat that Holt attributes to "youth and not understanding totally what it takes to be a winner."

"We're working towards that but it starts in the weight room," Holt said. "We've been developing it there, but we've not completely got it transformed over to the practice field."

The decision to leave was a difficult one for Holt; coming from a program that was on the rise, but he liked the situation that Maryville offered him.

"The challenge of coaching in the MEC was a big part in what brought me to Maryville," Holt said.

Another key that brought Holt to Maryville is family. Holt's family lives in Mound City, Mo., and his wife's family lives in Bethany, Mo. The distance from Maryville made the decision easier for Holt.

Maryville will also drop from Class 3 to 2, but the schedule remains difficult with their MEC conference opponents still in Class 3 and 4. The Spoofhounds will not play a Class 2 opponent until Oct. 20 against Lawson and finish the regular season against Plattsburg and LeBlond.

"It's not a bad thing to play good competition before districts, so I guess we'll have to look at it as a positive," Holt said. "Hopefully we'll get through the conference all healthy and then we'll be ready come district time."

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'Cats take first game

Mathews, Omon lead Bearcats past Mavericks

Brett Barger
Assistant Sports Editor

Some may say that Josh Mathews' starting job may have been in jeopardy. Others may say the job was his to lose.

Saturday, he solidified his starting job with a big game.

Mathews completed 17 of 25 passes for 281 yards and three touchdowns helping the No. 2 Northwest Bearcats pull away from Minnesota State-Mankato with a 31-14 victory in front of 5,248 fans at Bearcat Stadium.

Mathews' start Saturday was his first since Nov. 27, 2004, when he led the team to the NCAA Division II Quarterfinals against Pittsburg State.

"It definitely feels good to get back in the saddle," Mathews said.

Mathews threw only 11 passes in the first half with a couple of overthrows to open receivers.

Northwest head coach Mel Tjeerdsma admitted that he should have "threw the ball more in the second and third quarter."

"I got really conservative," Tjeerdsma said. "That would have been the perfect time when his adrenaline (was) going against the wind. He probably would have had a few more yards."

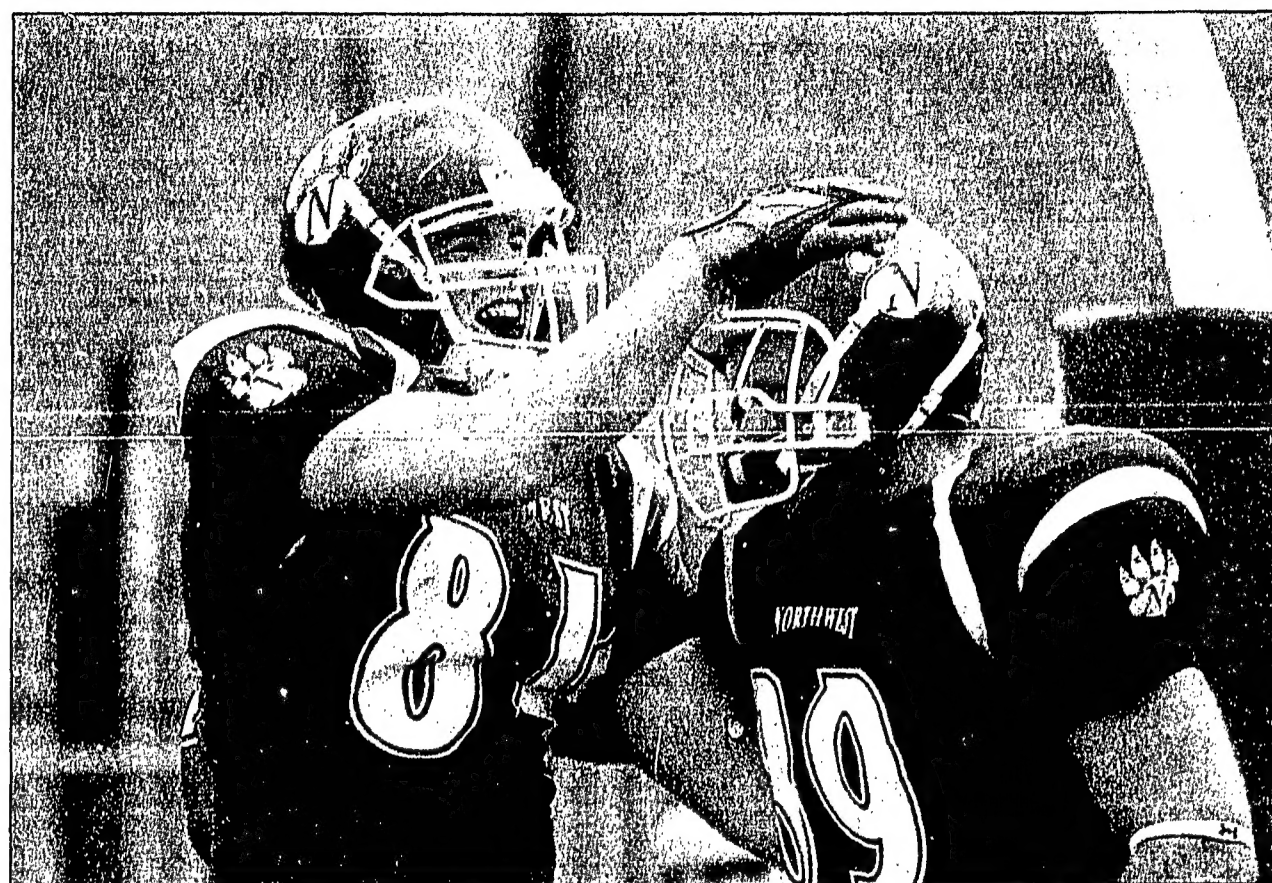
On the first possession, Northwest immediately went to the ground.

Xavier Omon, needing only 28 yards to become Northwest's all-time leading rusher in the regular season, had 6 carries for 37 yards capping the 'Cats' 10-play 45-yard drive with a 5-yard touchdown run.

"I had no idea. I'm not big on records," Omon said.

"We don't pay much attention to stats," Tjeerdsma said. "The one stat that counts and that's what we got today and that's a W."

Omon finished the game with



Northwest tight end Josh Gannan (left) congratulates tight end Mike Peterson after he caught a 34-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter. The Bearcats stung the Minnesota State-Mankato Mavericks 31-14 at their home opener Saturday.

28 carries for 112 yards. Omon also hauled in a touchdown pass from Mathews to put Northwest in front 14-0.

Fifteen of Omon's 28 carries came in the first half alone.

"Coach T told me he was going

to give me the

ball," Omon

said. "I don't

expect more than

they give me.

Too me it wasn't

that much..."

With just

over 10 minutes left in the third

quarter, Omon left the game after

his calves cramped up, but he

returned to the game shortly after.

Mankato, in two games has

allowed 338 yards on the ground.

In the second quarter, Mankato

got on the board with a 20-yard

touchdown pass to cut the deficit

in half.

After a Northwest punt, Mankato

quarterback Ben King connected

with wide receiver Nick Haley for a 12-yard touchdown to tie the game at 14.

After a 33-yard field goal by Tommy Frevert, Northwest retreated to the locker room with a 17-14 halftime lead.

Northwest would seal the game with Mathews completing touchdown passes to tight end Mike Peterson and receiver Kendall Wright.

Wright led all receivers with 6 catches for 128 yards with a score. Peterson finished the game with 2 catches for 31 yards and a touchdown.

With the Mavericks only rushing the ball 12 times, the pressure was on King, who finished the game with 47 pass attempts.

"We played really well defensively," Tjeerdsma said. "We didn't

let them control the tempo of the game. They got some first downs, they got some yards, we kept everything in front of us and we got a couple of turnovers."

On Mankato's first possession in the second half, a completed pass to Bryan Dalton was forced out by Thomas Smith—ending their drive in Bearcat territory.

Mankato would punt, fail on a fourth-quarter conversion and throw an interception that linebacker Jared Erspamer ripped from the arms of a Mankato receiver in the fourth quarter.

"The play before, they ran a slant and I kind've got burnt so I knew they were probably going to come back to me," Erspamer said. "I thought I was actually burnt again but I turned and ran and looked and tried to take it, so I did."

The Bearcats will face off at 1 p.m. next Saturday against the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

'Hounds stung by Hornets yet again

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Assistant Sports Editor

The Maryville high school football team will have to wait one more year before they can break their losing streak against the Chillicothe Hornets.

Maryville (0-1) closed the deficit to as little as two, but two second half touchdowns sealed Chillicothe's 30-14 win Friday night.

"It's just one of those things where we were chasing all night long," Maryville head coach Chris Holt said. "Eventually you're either going to win the chase or you're going to run out of luck and that's what happened to us."

After a

botched snap

on Maryville's

first punt led

to a safety, it

appeared that

Maryville was

in for a long

night. Tough

defense kept

the Spoof-

hounds

within striking

distance.

Two points is

all Chillicothe

scored after

the end of the

first quarter.

In the sec-

ond quarter,

Chillicothe

running back

Kyle Dosterschill

barreled into the

end zone for a

touchdown

extending the lead

to 9-0.

Chillicothe

quarterback

Austin Sloan

extended the

Hornet's lead to

16-0 in the same

quarter, hooking

up with Tyler

Tammell for a

10-yard

touchdown pass.

Maryville

quarterback,

Andy Walter,

beginning his

first full season

as a starter,

brought Maryville

back in the game.

His touchdown

pass to Tanner

Archer cut the

deficit to 16-7.

"I thought he

did really well,

considering we

put a lot of

pressure on

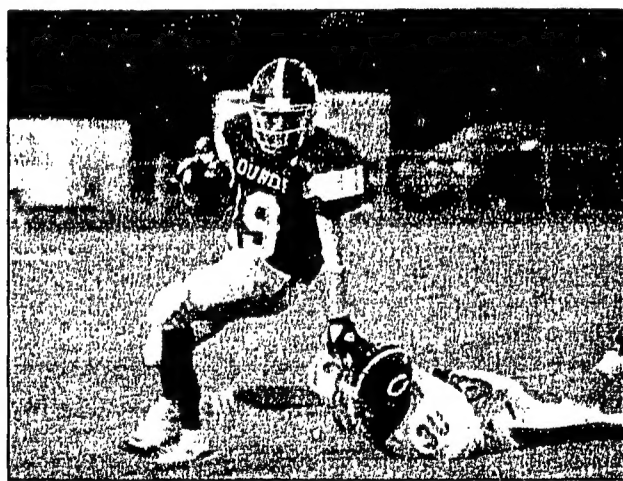
him at the end,"

Holt said.

"We gave up too much penetration on some of those plays and Andy (Walter) had to try and scramble and make some plays, but Andy's an athlete, he's going to make some plays."

When play resumed in the second half, Maryville immediately got back in the game. It was not Walter, but running back Malcom Swinford on a trick play throwing a 37-yard touchdown pass to Tanner Archer cutting the deficit to 16-14. Swinford also contributed to the running game, rushing for 78 yards.

However, after the touchdown, the wheels began to fall off the rally bus. Penalties set back the 'Hounds back, killing any chance



Maryville running back Malcom Swinford avoids Chillicothe's Clinton Singleton during Friday night's game. The Spoofhounds lost to the Hornets for the seventh time since 1999.

of a comeback. The most crucial came in the fourth quarter with just over four minutes left when the Hounds, down 23-14, fumbled in the red zone.

"We shot ourselves in the foot," Walter said. "We could have kept in the game but that costly fumble and all those penalties just shot us in the foot."

Chillicothe (1-0) has now won seven straight games against the Spoofhounds dating back to 1999.

Up next for the Hounds is a trip down Highway 71 for a game against MEC foe Lafayette at 7 p.m., Friday in St. Joseph, Mo.

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